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TO-DAY.

Sun rises, 5h. 24m. Sun sets, 6h. 39m. High water, 11-10m., 10-54a. Low water, 4-10m., 5-14a.

P. and O. s. s. Clyde, with English mails of the 9th instant, due to arrive, 3 p.m.

Music on the Esplanade, 5-45 p.m.

POSTAL NOTICE.—Mails for Natal and Cape Colony, per extra s. s. Umzinto, via Calcutta, will be closed at the General Post Office, at 6-30 p.m., to-day.

A FISHING BOAT CAPSIZED.—On Wednesday morning, a fishing boat, in charge of Undal Narayen Malari and nine crew, was accidentally capsized just off Oyster Rock. The crew were all rescued by the tindal of a passing prow, and were safely landed at Mody Bunder.

ACCIDENT ON BOARD SHIP.—A European carpenter, named Macmillan, employed on board the steamship Mahmoria, while at work on the vessel, on Wednesday, accidentally fell from off a water tank into No. 2 'tween decks. He sustained injury to his spine, which necessitated his removal to St. George's Hospital.

AN ABSCONDING SERVANT.—Captain P. Stracey, who resides at Colaba, has reported to the police that he handed over to his servant, Cheema Rama, the sum of Rs. 31-10 for safe keeping on the 19th instant. The servant has since absconded and could not be found. He is said to be known in Colaba. Enquiries are being made as to his whereabouts.

ST. ALOYSIUS' SOCIETY.—On Sunday, there will be the feast of St. Aloysius at Andheri, the celebrants being the members of St. Aloysius' Society. The High Mass will begin precisely at 10 a.m. Before Mass there will be blessing of the new statue of St. Aloysius. The members are thankful to the gentlemen who have contributed towards the status, and they are cordially invited to attend the divine service. Rev. Fr. Soares, from Matharpaccady, will preach in English on the occasion. Members of the society are also requested to do present in the church at 9-45 a.m., and to attend the meeting after Mass for the election of new officials.

EFFECTS OF DRINK.—Mahomed Ahmed, a Mahomedan, aged twenty-two years, having no fixed place of residence, went to the house of Bibi Jan, a Mahomedan woman, at Surat Street, on Wednesday afternoon. He was then under the influence of liquor. He demanded admission into the woman's room, which is on the second floor of the building. This being refused, he made an attempt to effect an entrance from a window, but in doing so he lost his balance and fell into the sweepers' gully, a distance of about twenty-five feet. Mahomed, who had sustained serious injuries, was conveyed to the Goculdas Tejpal Hospital, where he has been detained.

MUSIC ON THE ESPLANADE.—The Band of the 21st Bombay Infantry will play the following programme, under the direction of Bandmaster A. Mallandaine, at the Esplanade Bandstand, this evening, at 5-45 (weather permitting):—

March	Soldiers in the Park	Monckton
Overture	Sunlight and shade	Parker
Selection	H M S Pinafore	Sullivan
Valse	Gross Staatskinder	Ferni
Selection	The Topsy-Turvy Hotel	Monckton
Galop	Von Haus Zu Haus	Faust

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

COMMITTED TO THE SESSIONS.—At the Esplanade Police Court, yesterday, before Mr. P. H. Dastur, Acting Third Presidency Magistrate, Inspector Sban charged Mohanlal Rissoolal, moonim in the firm of Ramnarayan Baldevdas, with criminal breach of trust as a servant in respect of 13 hundis for Rs. 63,000, and using as genuine forged documents. Mr. Hugh Sealy, pleader, conducted the prosecution. The evidence was to the effect that the accused entered into a conspiracy with Maneckial Ghelabhoy and others, now under trial before Mr. Slater, Chief Presidency Magistrate, to defraud his master by accepting forged hundis in favour of bogus firms presented by them. The Magistrate committed the accused to take his trial at the ensuing Criminal Sessions of the High Court.

ABSENT WITHOUT LEAVE.—At the Esplanade Police Court, yesterday, before Mr. J. Sanders-Slater, Chief Presidency Magistrate, Constable Aldridge charged Murray and Fenr, seamen of the s. s. Zum, with being absent without leave. The accused stated that the ship was unseaworthy and was leaking in dock, and they, therefore, could not trust their lives to her. The Magistrate in convicting the accused remarked that the ship would be surveyed before it was allowed to leave port. The accused were not justified in the course they had adopted, and they must remember that there were other lives on board besides them. Had they any complaint to make, they should have obtained leave and made it to the Shipping Master. They were each sentenced to seven days simple imprisonment.

FATAL ACCIDENT ON BOARD A STEAMER.—About a quarter past 10 o'clock, yesterday morning, a stevedore's labourer, named Rasool, aged about thirty years working on board the steam-ship Shanghai, lying in the Prince's Dock, accidentally fell into No. 4 hold of the vessel. He was brought up on deck and was being conveyed to the Goculdas Tejpal Hospital, when he died on the way. Mr. Allan F. Turner, the Coroner, held an inquiry in the afternoon at the morgue regarding the death of the deceased. It appears that Rasool was seated on the fore and aft beam for the purpose of hooking on the sling, but as it was lowered too low down he gave an order to have it up. Suddenly the hook caught on the beam and lifted it out of the brackets. The beam fell into the hold, carrying the deceased down with it, a distance of about thirty-five feet. A verdict of accidental death was returned by the Jury.

THANA NEWS.—Our local correspondent, writing on Wednesday, says:—Mr. Balvant Chimaji Kohojkar, Head Clerk to the Collector of Thana, has been appointed to act as Mamlatdar and Second Class Magistrate of Dhanoo, during the absence of Rao Saheb Haribhai Gopalji Desai, proceeded on privilege leave for one month and a-half from the 15th instant. Mr. Waman Vishnoo has been confirmed in his appointment as Sub-Registrar of Wada, in the Thana District.—The special policemen, who were sent on the south-east border of Thana District, in pursuit of the the Pathans, who committed dacoities in Bombay in May last, have not returned to the Head-quarter station. No news of the whereabouts of the gang has been received by the policemen as yet.—A native Christian school-master of the Municipal school (located in the Roman Catholic Cathedral), Thana, has been arrested on a charge of committing an assault on a child, seven years of age, on the 14th instant. He will be tried by the Magistrate of Thana District, who took the statement of the child on Thursday last.—Kaji Wajir, a tonga driver, was placed befor Mr. Anna Gopal Kotwal, Huzur Deputy and First Class Magistrate of Thana, on Saturday last, charged with causing the death of a child by driving his tonga in a rash and negligent manner in Rungari Street, a few days ago. He was tried and discharged on account of insufficient evidence in the case.—A young student of Sonar caste died of plague in Kadva Street, at Thana, on Sunday last, and two other Hindus have been laid up with bubonic fever in the same locality. The village of Akrapati-Popharan, in the Mahim Taluka of Thana District, is infected will plague, and nine deaths took place there during the past week. The town of Bhivndi between Thana and Kalyan continued free during the week.

SURAT AND THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—I hear that the Surat Municipal Corporation has resolved to submit a prayer to Government that they should favour the city of Surat by nominating a citizen of the place as a member of the Legislative Council. Ahmedabad and Broach having already enjoyed a seat, the ancient and historic city of Surat may naturally expect a like honour, particularly as there are therein men fully qualified for the high post. In reference to this, permit me, sir, to suggest one important name, that of Rao Bahadur Khandarao Chimanrao Bedarkar, B.A., LL.B., who is a native of Surat, and who, after having filled the high posts of the Registrar of the High Court, Judge of the Small Causes Court, and Dewan of the Indore State, now enjoys his well-earned pension and rest at Dumas near Surat. He is a gentleman of whom Surat is proud, and one who is liked alike by the rulers and the ruled, and his selection will be acceptable not only to the citizens of Surat, but to his many admirers in Bombay and other places.—Yours, &c.,

SUGGESTION.

THE SENIOR WRANGLER.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—May I, through the medium of your valuable paper, request the general public to hold a meeting to express their joy and delight and to send a congratulatory telegram to England, for the brilliant success of Mr. Rughunath Purushotum Paranjpe, who has recently come out as Senior Wrangler at Cambridge. Mr. Paranjpe is the first Indian who has achieved so brilliant a success; and this success, being unique, is not only a credit to the Hindu community, but to all the communities of India.

Trusting the above matter will be taken up, as soon as practicable, by the leading citizens of Bombay, such as the Hon'ble Dr. Bhalchandra and the Hon'ble Mr. Chandavarker, and others.—Yours, etc.,

June 22. D. K. M.

CHURCH BUILDINGS IN INDIA.

DISCUSSION IN THE SCOTTISH GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

A DISCUSSION on the subject of Church regulations in India took place in the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland in Edinburgh, on May 26th, in connection with the report of the Committee on the work of the Church in India and Ceylon.

The Rev. Dr. Theodore Marshall, in submitting the report, said a deputation of the committee had waited upon Lord George Hamilton, and brought before him the necessity of increasing the number of chaplains on the Indian establishment; the desirability of capitation allowance being commuted for a fixed salary (to be supplemented by the Church), at stations where the number of Presbyterian troops did not warrant the placing of one of the Government chaplains the necessity of Scottish regiments going to or returning from Indian service being accompanied by a Presbyterian chaplain; the necessity of more suitable accommodation being provided for the services of the Presbyterian troops in India, either by giving greater facilities for the use of the Government churches or by building places of worship for the use of the Presbyterian chaplains and their men. With regard to the last point the committee believed that the General Assembly would approve of their action, taken after consultation with the Indian Churches Committee, in informing the Secretary of State for India that the Church of Scotland could not acquiesce in these rules.

In the garrison towns the Government of India had built churches for the use of Protestant soldiers, and had also provided churches for its Roman Catholic soldiers. A number of the churches had been consecrated for the worship of the Church of England, and that had caused to a very great extent, although he was bound to say not entirely, the difficulty, for there had been some difficulty experienced in using those churches which had not been consecrated, and which had happened to have got into the hands of the chaplains of the Church of England. The chief difficulty was with the consecrated churches. They had no antagonism whatever to the Church of England, and anything he had to say, and he might have to speak very plainly on the subject, must not be regarded as in any way antagonistic to the Church of England. The representatives of the two National Churches of Great Britain ought to have a thoroughly good understanding the one with the other. When these churches were consecrated, rules were laid down by the Government of India, and apparently they did not seem to have been noticed or criticised by the representatives of the Church of Scotland or of any other Protestant Church. They had no objection to these churches being consecrated if it added to the comfort of the members of the Church of England worshipping in those churches. There was no reason why they should not be consecrated, but it was a very different thing if by consecrating these churches, which were built for them as well as for the Church of England, they were deprived of the use of them—(applause)—and it was against that that the House must protest that day, as he was sure it would do (applause). Consecration in England had

A CERTAIN LEGAL EFFECT.

By the Act of Uniformity a church consecrated in England could only be used for the service of the Church of England. Evidently the authorities of the Church of England in India imagined that the same rule prevailed there. The Government of India, many years ago, he believed, took the opinion of an eminent ecclesiastical counsel, Dr. Lushington, and he gave an opinion which had been acted upon consistently, that churches consecrated for the worship of the Church of England in India were still available for the worship of other churches to which the Government might give them. They were not the judges of either Indian or of English law. He did not suppose even the learned Procurator would care to give an opinion upon that subject. The law of India could not be the same as the law in England, because if the English law had prevailed they would not have been allowed to use the churches at all. No Bishop could give a consecrated church in England to any other religious body, and even supposing that the Act of Uniformity had the same effect in India as in England, the Government of India had alienated from the Church of Scotland property which they had no business to alienate (applause). If they had alienated certain churches, then they must call upon the Government as quickly as possible to provide other churches in their room (applause). Their contention was that churches should be provided for their Scottish and Presbyterian soldiers as they were provided for Roman Catholics and Episcopalian soldiers (applause). They were

DETERMINED TO HAVE CHURCHES

so that their brave Scottish soldiers would not be relegated to theatres and lecture rooms (applause). Since the sitting of the Assembly they had received a copy of new rules adopted by the Government of India, which placed the Church of Scotland in a less favourable position than it occupied in the Regulations of 1898. One of these rules was: "It shall be necessary to obtain the consent of the bishop of the diocese in each case." That was not a fair thing. Why should a Scottish chaplain have to go to the bishop of the diocese—(applause)—and to ask for the use of a church built for him, just as much as it was for the bishop of the diocese? (hear, hear, and applause). Then it was laid down that "the bishop, or the Church of England chaplain, or clergyman of the Church of England performing the duties of chaplain shall, under the bishop's instructions, fix the hours at which the church shall be made available to the Presbyterian or Wesleyan congregations." He did not think it was right that the chaplain of any one denomination should have the right to do that (applause). Then worse than before, there was a rule that "the bishop of the diocese may withdraw his assent to use the church for the worship of any congregation other than that of the Church of England whenever he shall think fit." Was that the treatment which the Church of Scotland was to receive? (applause). He was sure that House would say "no" (applause). The use for the Church in English garrison towns was regulated by the officer commanding the station. He fixed the hours of service according to the relative number of men belonging to the different denominations in the garrison at the time. They generally got

FAIR TREATMENT FROM MILITARY AUTHORITIES

and what they were asking was that some such arrangement should prevail in the use of the garrison churches in India. Then there was a rule that if there was any dissatisfaction the senior chaplain of the Church of Scotland would be at liberty to ask the lieutenant-general that the matter might be referred for final decision to the Metropolitan. Correspondence in India was never very rapid, and with a little ingenuity the correspondence could easily be prolonged until the Scottish regiment had left the station. He had been in communication with Lord George Hamilton, and had received the following letter:—

"18th May, 1899.

"Dear Sir,—I beg to acknowledge your letter of May 17th regarding the use of Government churches in India.

"I am afraid that my delay in replying to your letter of the 5th April has caused some inconvenience, but my official answer to the views expressed therein was delayed in consequence of the promulgation of the new rules. These rules are now under my consideration in Council, and until the Council have had the opportunity to express an opinion on them I cannot speak officially. But in the meantime I enclose a copy of the rules for the information of your committee."

"As regards rule 7, I would ask your committee to consider the undoubted difficulties which surround the question. Objections founded in part on usage and in part on the legal effect of the consecration of churches were taken to the rules issued in June, 1898, and they had therefore to be taken into careful consideration by the Government of India, with the result that (1) the ultimate appeal in case of difficulty has been transferred to the Metropolitan; and (2) that the denominations to which the operation of the rules will be confined have been specified. "With these two modifications the rules remain as they are. The Metropolitan has signified his intention of meeting in the most conciliatory spirit any applications which may be made by Presbyterians for the use of churches consecrated for the services of the Church of England, and I have every hope that the rules as they now stand will be found to work smoothly, and promote the interests which your committee have at heart.—I remain, Sir, yours faithfully, George Hamilton."

They must see that, when Lord George Hamilton in Council considered these rules, he would have the mind of the Church of Scotland upon them (applause). He was perfectly certain that if the matter was put before him in the right way that Lord George Hamilton would do everything in his power to

SEE THAT JUSTICE WAS DONE TO THE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND,

and the sooner they approached Lord George Hamilton before the matter went before him in Council the better for the interests of all concerned (applause). He hoped the Government of India would be strong enough and fair enough to brush aside the clamour which had been raised in the Indian Press, mainly by the chaplains of the Church of England in India, against the use of these churches by the Church of Scotland chaplains. But there were other difficulties of a much more serious nature. The churches in the Indian garrison towns were not sufficient for the number of British soldiers stationed in these garrisons. When they found the dining-rooms and other garrison accommodation being increased, surely the accommodation for the worship of God should also be increased when the number of soldiers in the garrison was increased (applause.) They did not expect the services of the Church of England to be interfered with for a mere handful of Presbyterians. The one remedy was that the Government of India should build additional churches, but as long as they had a right to use the Government churches and as long as no other churches were provided for their use, they must have these regulations so altered as to assure that they would have fair play (applause).

The committee noted that "the Metropolitan has signified his intention of meeting in the most conciliatory spirit any applications which may be made by Presbyterians for the use of churches." They had no doubt of the conciliatory views of the present Metropolitan, but they did not think that the Church of Scotland should be put in the position of asking, apparently as a favour from the chief officer of the Church of England in India the use of buildings which were erected by Government out of public funds for the use of both Churches (applause). As the committee had stated in their report the claim of the Church of Scotland was that wherever a Scottish regiment was quartered, and it might be added, wherever there was any considerable number of Scottish soldiers stationed, a church—not a lecture hall, theatre, recreation-room, or any such makeshift, but a proper church should be provided at suitable hours for her services (applause). The present Metropolitan, Dr. Welldon, was,

A MAN OF BROAD VIEWS AND CATHOLIC SYMPATHIES,

and he believed would do everything in his power to make those rules work smoothly, but this question having been raised, the Church of Scotland was not to be at the mercy of any Metropolitan (applause). There had not been many Dr. Welldons in India (laughter and applause). It was not a fair position in which to put the Metropolitan who would have to contend against the clamour of his clergy. There were fanatics in the Church of England as there were in the Church of Scotland (laughter) and the clergy would make it uncomfortable for the Metropolitan if he gave facilities for the services of other Churches than their own. The question of the hours of service must be left to the military officer in command. The Church of England must have the preference, because it was the predominant partner. There were far more Episcopalian than there were Presbyterian soldiers. Many of those Church of England chaplains had conscientious objections—they might be reasonable or unreasonable—to the service of any other than the Episcopalian Church being conducted in the building for which they were responsible. They were not fighting for the dignity of the Church of Scotland. They were fighting for something far more important. They were fighting for the spiritual interests of their Scottish soldiers (applause). Their Scottish soldiers were feeling bitterly their exclusion from these churches and being relegated to lecture halls and sometimes theatres. They looked to them to defend their rights and as the guardians of their Presbyterian soldiers those brave men whom the country had delighted to honour they should not sit quietly and see them relegated to a second place (applause.)

The Rev. Dr. Story Principal of the University of Glasgow, in seconding the motion said it had sometime seemed to him that their modern chaplains had not altogether inherited the spirit of their former able firm and determined senior chaplain. There was such a thing as too great amiability,

TOO MEEK AND QUIETE A SPIRIT

(laughter)—when such questions had to be dealt with. He sometimes thought that if their chaplains had asserted themselves more firmly that they would not have had such aggression by the Anglican authorities. Now they were put under the domination of the Metropolitan of India. The present Metropolitan of India, they were told, was a very liberal-minded man; but if he was a very liberal-minded man it was very singular that his first act on his arrival in India should have been to agree to the new and intolerant regulations laid down with regard to the Church of Scotland. It was a most extraordinary thing that when they had two parties holding different views the decision of the question at issue between them should be put into the hand of the chief representatives of one of the parties. Even if he tried it was impossible that he should be impartial. The ultimate reference should have been to some impartial authority, such as the Governor-General, or the Governor of the Presidency. If any one section of the Queen's subjects in the United Kingdom and in the great empire beyond the seas, were entitled to the highest consideration in anything touching their social welfare or religious interests, surely it was the Scotch in India. Looking at the history of India in the last century, there were scores of Scotchmen there fighting for it, setting it, establising government law and order. He mentioned a number of the greatest names from Malcolm to Dalhousie. Who was it who commanded the Indian Army at the present moment, and who if he wanted to worship at the head of the Scotch regiments might go to a theatre or riding school? It was Sir William Lockhart, a son of the Scottish manse (applause). He reminded them of Hector Macdonald, the most prominent soldier next to Sir William Lockhart in the army in India. These were the men who were to be turned out of the Church to worship elsewhere, and those who were to worship with them were the men who in every battle were always in the front, from the days of the relief of Lucknow to the days when the Gordons cleared the heights of Dargal (applause). He would say it was

AN OUTRAGE UPON THEIR NATIONAL FEELINGS

as well as their religious feelings (applause). He believed it was only because the facts were not known that there had been such a deal of public apathy about it. He concluded by seconding the motion.

Mr. William Whitelaw, Perth (elder), said he was astonished that the feeling of the people had not been aroused to a sense of the insulting position in which their Presbyterian and Scottish regiments were placed in India, and he hoped that from that time forward it would engage the attention of all the Presbyteries. He knew he would be told that one of the difficulties in the way was that these Churches had been consecrated to the use of the Church of England. To that he would reply that, being Government churches, no difficulty should be raised to their having free access to these churches. If Episcopalians wished to have a church consecrated and kept entirely for themselves, let them build them for themselves (applause). In these days it was not too easy to obtain recruits from the Highland to feel the ranks of their Highland regiments, and he wondered what would be the effect of sending a regiment into the Highlands carrying at its head a banner on which was inscribed the words—"We will call upon you whenever there is hard work to do, but we will not allow you to worship according to the religion of your forefathers in the churches which we build." He agreed that under the present Metropolitan few difficulties were likely to arise, but it was

PLACING DR. WELLDON IN A FALSE POSITION

to ask him to decide these matters. It was said that some of the Episcopalian clergyman would make it uncomfortable for Dr. Welldon, if he opened the churches to the Scottish regiments. He knew Dr. Welldon as his old schoolmaster, and he was well aware that when he had differed from Dr. Welldon he used to make it very uncomfortable for him (laughter). He believed that Dr. Welldon was a strong man—(laughter)—who would not allow himself to be unduly influenced by any clamour, but in spite of that they were right in claiming that no one in his position should have that burden laid on his shoulders. It should go forth from ministers and laymen alike throughout the country that the people of Scotland were determined that their soldiers should be allowed to worship in a church that was built by the Government (applause).

The Rev. Dr. Mitford Mitchell said he wished to give a crowning example from a letter which he had received from a daughter of the Church, of the way in which Scottish Presbyterian regiments were treated in India. The lady in question wrote:—The first Sunday after the Gordons returned from Dargai the commanding officer decided that it was too hot to have the service in the open air. The theatre was not available, and they had to revert to the barrack-room, with the result that half of the men could not get in, and had to return to their quarters. Nothing was decent or in order. A Highland regiment returning from victory herded in a barrack-room, while the English party were marched to their beautiful church! Is it known that one of the most frequent subjects of discussion in a Scottish regiment in India is that of church buildings, and endless discussions as to why they should never have a Scottish Church in India take place among the men." Proceeding, Dr. Mitford Mitchell said they talked of the liberal mindedness of the present Metropolitan. He (Dr. Mitchell) knew nothing about that, but when Dr. Welldon arrived in India he was met by the clamour to which allus on had been made, and if the Assembly had seen the correspondence he had seen they would be astonished at

THE BIGOTRY OF SOME CHRISTIAN MINISTERS.

The very first act that liberal-minded Metropolitan was in conjunction with Lord Curzon, the son of minister of the Church of England, to substitute his own regulations for those of the Commander-in-Chief. He hoped they would leave nothing undone in the Church to redress what was a most scandalous state of matters (applause).

Dr. Marshall Lang, in supporting the motion, said that formerly there was less occasion for such a question as had now been raised. But a new spirit had arisen in the case of some of the clergy of the Church of England. The whole position had become accentuated. He believed that many men in the Church of England were pained at the position they occupied with regard to the Church of Scotland. That position was that apostolic succession and the apostolic episcopate was essential to the being of a Church, and that without that others could only be recognised as schismatics. It was putting the Metropolitan in a false position to make him umpire as to whether the use of those churches should be given to Presbyterian soldiers. The Church of Scotland would go forward on this question with one voice and one spirit showing that the position to which they were dragged by those new regulations was unjust was humiliating, was an insult to their nationality, was an insult to their common brotherhood, and it was not for them merely a question between the Church of Scotland and the Church of England, but it was a question for Tommy Atkins, for the British Presbyterian soldier, for our brave troops in regard to what was highest and best in the army. Dr. Scott said he would have them realise the solemnity of their position. They would need all their diplomacy, and along with quiet and courteous diplomacy, they would have to have behind them a much more strongly organised body of opinion than they had even there expressed in the General Assembly that day. They must let the Government see that they had got Scotland behind them, and they must take steps, so that the sentiment and opinion of Scotland would get proper expression upon this point. He suggested that the committee should draw up a memorandum and a preparation of the case in such a form that it could be immediately used among the constituents in Scotland, and especially among the congregations of Scotland,.

The deliverance was adopted.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE steamer Bhamo, 2,027 tons, Commander Robert Leslie, cleared yesterday, for Pondicherry, with the same bottom cargo, and the following passengers:—Mr. Leslie and child, Mr. Brooks, Mr. Cooper, and Mr Cook.

ARRIVAL.

June.	Vessel.	Commander.	From.
22	Henry Bolckow s...	Bennett	Persian Gulf.

DEPARTURE.

June	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
22.	Kilwa s.....	McLean	Persian Gulf.

The steamer Bhamo, Captain Leslie, obtained her port clearance yesterday for Pondicherry.

The steamer Clan Grant, entered for loading yesterday for Marseilles and Liverpool.

DAILY IMPORTS.—JUNE 22.

FROM LIVERPOOL.

Bhamo s—4 cases cutlery, Esmail Habib and Co; 4 cases cutlery, Shurafally Eyeball and Co. 4 cases City of London s—140 boxes candles, Essabhoy M Abdeally. Hispania s—5 cases glassware, Hussonally Allibhoy; 6 cases plate glass, K Canjee.

FROM LONDON.

Arabia s—4 cases writing paper, Hussonally Abdoolally; 3 cases medicine, Heerjee Mooljee and Co.

Caledonia s—32 cases oilmenstores, 8 cases provisions, 18 cases machinery, and 11 cases biscuits, H Nazarelly; 13 cases soap, 43 packages biscuits, 29 cases provision, 18 cases medicine, 119 cases oilmenstores, and 17 cases venigar, Essoofally Rassooljee; 33 cases oilmenstores and 42 cases provision Badrudin Nazarally.

FROM HULL.

Alecto s—11 package biscuit, H Rahimtoola Suleman; 21 bales writing paper, Ebrahim Mahomedally.

FROM HAMBURG.

Johannisburger s—2 hogsheads rectified spirit, Dhunjeebhoy Cowasjee.

FROM ANTWERP.

Stolzenfels s—12 cases paper, E Mahomedally.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY CAPTAIN A. K. LESLIE, COMMANDING B. V. A.

Bombay, 23rd June, 1899.

1. The following member having joined has been taken on the strength of the Corps from the 21st instant, and posted to No. 1 Company, No. 1 Sub-division:—Gr. A. J. Herbert.

By Order,
A. J. PEILE, Capt. R. A.,
Adjutant, B. V. A.

HIGH COURT.—JUNE 23.

Before the Hon'ble the Chief Justice and the Hon'ble Mr. Justice B. TYABJEE.

Appeals for hearing and final disposal.

993-531-27—Coughton and B—Sirdar Khan Bahadur Cassum Hajee Mitha vs The British and Foreign Marine Insurance Co Ld—Craigie L and O.

993-852-27—Ardeshir H and D—Bargowandas Prunjiwandas and others vs Bai Jadavon and another—Shamrao P.

1001-257-98—Maganlal and R—Maneckchand Kasturchand vs Rachoppa Virappa Karajgi and others—Dikshit and D and K J Mantri.

References from the Bombay Court of Small Causes.

19578-95—Raghowji Vizpal vs Narondas Parmanand—R F Turner.

2205-98—Mahomedali Moola Tyabjee vs John Campbell—Sheshan B and N.

22009-98—Mahomedali Moola Tyabjee vs E Sturn.

1011-181-91—Bhaishunker and K—Zoolekabai vs Rassoobai—Tyebjee D and Co.

Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice RUSSELL.

Suits for hearing and final disposal.

Long Causes.

331-98—Craigie L and O—Bai Maneckvahu vs Karsondas Prajjee Matubhai and J—Part heard.

37-99—Bicknell M and M—Gokhichand Rowchand vs Chotooram Motiram and others—Dikshit and D.

165-98—Crawford B and Co—Kora Lajee vs Dhunjee Ruttonsey—Payne G and S.

622-97—M H Khan—Kaloosing Lavsing and others vs The Hon'ble Mahadev Govind Ranade and others—Dikshit and D and Captain and V.

Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice CROWE.

Suits for hearing and final disposal.

Long Causes.

163-95—Tyabjee D and C Kola—Juggunath vs Dewji—M H Khan.

521-98—Little and Co—Yemnabai and others vs Joosub Hasum and another—Payne G and S.

530-95—Payne G and S—Purshotamdas Pranjiwandas vs Luximbai and another—Little and Co and Craigie L and O.

48-1082-98—H V N Kirtikar—Hira Zolla and others vs Koli Gowria Juggonath—R P Bharucha.

108-3933-98—H J R Hemming—Ismail Hajee Noormahomed vs Shamjeebhai Akbai—W dia and G.

736-98—Sorabjee and J—Jafferbhai Khakeebhai vs. Prithai Khakeebhai and others Daftary and F.

5-99—Ardeshir H and D—The New Great Eastern S and W Co, Ld vs Dwarkadas Shamjee—Thakurdas D and Co.

102-99—In person—Krishnajee Sewram vs Mooktajee Parajee and another—Jenardhan and A.

105-99—Payne G and S—Lukmidas Anandji vs Radhakisson Govindram—Ardeshir H and D.

DIVINE SERVICE.

SAINT THOMAS' CATHEDRAL.

FRIDAY, JUNE 23.

Vigil of the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist.

6 p.m.—Evensong, (Choral)—Hymns 146 and 221.

Saturday 24th—Festival of Saint John the Baptist.

7-15 a.m.—Holy Communion, (Choral)—Hymns Introit 2 321 and 441.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, COLABA.

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FRIDAY, JUNE 23.

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7-30 a.m.—Mattins.
8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
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RAINFALL IN BOMBAY.

	Byculla.		Esplade. Fort.		Colaba.	
	In.	Cts.	In.	Cts.	In.	Cts.
Previously registered.....	18	11	17	55	23	19
Thursday, June 22nd	0	25	0	94	0	20
Total.....	18	36	18	49	23	39
Total fall to June 22nd, 1898	19	48	21	93	22	78
Total fall to June 22nd, 1897	11	45	10	54	12	17

Rainfall at Byculla registered from 6 p.m. to 6 p.m.; at the Esplanade and Fort, from 8 a.m. to 8 a.m.; and at Colaba, from 6 a.m. to 6 a.m.

MATHERAN.

	In.	Cts.
Previously registered	24	88
20th June, 1899	0	10
Total	25	28

DAMAUN.

	In.	Cts.
Previously registered	10	10
Tuesday, June 20th 1899	3	35
Total	13	45
Total up to 20th June, 98	8	22
Total up to 20th June, 97	2	44

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During the ending Monday (8 A. M.), 17th June, 1899.

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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

THURSDAY EVENING, JUNE 22.

At the weekly allotments of Indian Council Bills in London yesterday there were Rs. 26,40,000 allotted to Calcutta, Rs. 13,40,000 to Bombay, Rs. 5,70,000 to Madras, at 1s. 4d., 37 per cent. of the tenders thereat being accepted. Telegraphic Transfers were allotted to the extent of Rs 4,50,00,000 to Calcutta, at 1s. 4 1-32d., at which 37 per cent. of the tenders were accepted. An extra allotment was made of Rs. 10,000 of Bills, to Bombay, at 1s. 4 1-32d. It was announced that Rs. 50,00,000 will be allotted next week, Exchange on India at 30 days' sight was unaltered at 1s, 3 3-4d.

In Consols there was a further drop yesterday of 3-16 per cent., to 107 7-8. French Rentes were again quoted at 101 1-4 ex.; and Paris Exchange on London was 1-2 centime higher, at 25 19 1-2 fcs. Indian sterling loan remained at 114; and 3 1-2 per cent. Rupee Securities at £66 9-16. Discount on Short London Bills at 3 months' sight was quoted at 2 1-4 per cent., and on 6 months' sight Indian Bank Bills at 2 3-8 per cent. Bar Silver was 1-16d. dearer, at 27 13-16d. per oz.; and in New York 1-8 cent., at 60 3-4 cents per oz., with demand exchange on London unchanged at 4 88 dollars.

For Guzerat Yellow Rapseed the quotation was 37s. per 416 lbs., June-July shipment, to Antwerp, business done via the Canal, market strong in tone; for Cawnpore Yellow Rapseed, 36 1-4s, per 416 lbs. June-July shipment, to Havre, sellers via the Canal, in a strong market; Brown Rapeseed, 35s. per 416 lbs, June-July shipment to Antenerp, business done via the Canal, tone of the market strong; Linseed, 39 1-2s. per 416 lbs. same shipment, to the same port, sellers via the Canal, market strong.

Spot Mid.-Americans declined 1-32d. in the Liverpool Cotton Market yesterday, to 3 3-8d. per lb.; and American arrivals were lower all round to a like extent, at 3 19-64d. per lb. for June delivery and 3 17-64 for October-November. The day's Sales were 12,000 bales, including 100 bales Surats; and the Imports, *nil*. The market closed quiet, Surats and Arrivals steady. The Manchester Market closed firm.

Ready Mid.-Uplands declined 3-16 cent. in New York, to 6 1-16 cents. per lb.; September Futures 14 points, to 5·66 cents., and December 11 points, to 5·76 cents. The Receipts at the U. S. Ports were 5,000 bales.

Locally, the tone of the Cotton Market to-day has been dull. Exporters bought 1,525 bales, and the Mills 825 bales. Prices ruled in buyers favour.

WHEAT AND SEEDS.—Quiet but firm in tone, these markets are generally the same, leaving a decline of 1-4 an. in prices in the former.

The Receipts of Produce into Bombay yesterday were as follows :—

Cotton	2,302 bales.
Wheat	29,451 cwts.
Linseed	9,992 "
Rapeseed	9,521 "
Poppyseed	1,046 "
Castorseed	1,360 "
Rice	2,273 "

EXCHANGE has been steady to-day at 1s.4d. for Bank Telegraphic and Demand, and 1s. 4 5-32d. for three months' sight Credits. Bank Paper was done to a fair extent; but merchants' Bills were scarce, and the market closed steady as follows :—

Bank Bills on Demand	1s. 4d. per Rupee
Do. Telegraphic	1s. 4d. "
Credits 3 months' sight	1s. 4 5-32d. "
Francs	1-99 3-4 "

GOVERNMENT-PAPER.—Rates declined to-day to 100 1-2 for Money, for 3 1 2 per Cents, and 100 9-16 for Account; for Threes 94 was quoted.

SHARES are dull. Lukhmidas Mill are Rs. 15 lower, Manockjee Petit Rs. 5. Bank of Bombay have declined Rs. 2 1-2, to Rs. 1,297 1-2 per share.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, JUNE 21.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed quiet. Surats steady.

Good Bhownuggar, 2 25-32.

The Manchester Market has been firm.

2½ per cent. Consols	107 7-8
3 per cent. Rentes	101 1-4 ex.
3½ per cent. Sterling Loan	114
3½ per cent. Rupee Papers	66 9-16
Bar Silver	27 13-16

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

SUEZ, JUNE 21.

The P. and O. Company's steamer Rome, arrived here from Colombo, this morning.

PLYMOUTH, JUNE 21.

The P. and O. Company's steamer Arabia arrived here, this afternoon.

LONDON, JUNE 21.

The B. I. S. N. Company's steamer Manora left here, yesterday evening.

The Messageries Maritimes Company's steamer Oceanien, left Aden for Bombay on Wednesday, the 21st instant at midnight, and she is expected hereon Monday, the 26th instant, at midnight.

BANK OF MADRAS.

Statement of the affairs of the Bank of Madras for the week ending 17th June :—

LIABILITIES.	Rs.	a.	p.
Capital paidup	60,00,000	0	0
Reserve Fund	30,00,000	0	0
Pub Dep at Hd Office Rs. 30,19,121 8 7			
Pub Dep at Branches Rs. 14,19,381 6 7	44,38,504	15	4
Other Dep at Head Office and Branches	85,85,713	9	7
Bank Post Bills, etc.	39,088	12	8
Sundries	3,07,703	10	1
Total	3,76,70,010	15	8
ASSETS.			
Government Securities	66,03,935	1	0
Other authorised Investments	7,49,981	14	0
Loans on Government and other authorised Securities	55,20,344	9	5
Accounts of credit on Government and other authorised Securities	42,41,356	4	11
Bills discounted and purchased	77,83,054	3	8
Balances with other Banks	11,71,872	7	4
Bullion	6,03	0	5
Dead stock	8,91,901	0	0
Stamps	12,195	6	4
Sundries	1,17,121	14	3
	276,94,679	13	4
Cash and Currency Notes at Head Office and Branches	196,82,261	2	4
Total	397,76,940	15	8

BANK OF BENGAL.

THE following is the statement of the affairs of the Bank of Bengal, for the week ending 13th June, 1899, as compared with the statement of 6th June, 1899 :—

LIABILITIES.	June 6. Rs.	a.	p.	June 13. Rs.	a.	p.
Capital paid up	2,01,00,000	0	0	2,00,00,000	0	0
Reserve Fund	91,00,000	0	0	91,00,000	0	0
Public Deposits, &c.	2,13,45,540	14	4	2,18,71,063	11	3
Other Deposits, &c.	5,28,36,695	11	1	5,31,76,201	12	3
Bank Post Bills, &c.	2 16,766	1	8	2,67,995	10	1
Sundries	27,40,449	12	8	27,85,262	5	6
	10,62,39,353	7	9	10,92,03,526	6	3
ASSETS.	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.
Government Securities	2,79,023	0	0	95,96,569	0	0
Other authorised Invtmts.	76,11,805	8	0	76,06,635	8	0
Loans on Govt. and other authorised securities	1,91,95,218	5	8	1,90 92,335	2	9
Accounts of Credit do.	1,82,61,269	1	7	1,84,09,689	1	8
Bills Discounted, &c.	1,94,89,316	7	11	2,05,30,410	14	10
Balances with other Banks	7 42 716	14	10	5,97 0 9	8	6
Bullion	6,654	10	4	6,683	15	7
Dead Stock	13,20,251	5	4	13,19,610	3	9
Stamps	10,146	0	10	9 978	9	2
Sundries	15,91 657	7	1	18,12 460	11	5
Cash, &c., at Head Office	92,55 212	11	0	1,94 94 259	8	6
Do. at branches	1,75,69 361	1	2	1 97,57,852	5	1
Rs.	10,62,39,353	7	9	10,29,03,526	6	3

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS.

GOVERNMENT OBSERVATORY, COLABA.

Bombay, 21st June.

Means of observations taken at 8 a.m., 10 a.m., 2 p.m., 4 p.m. and 10 p.m.

Barometer corrected 32 deg. Fah.	inches 29·701
Temperature of the Air	degrees 81·8
Wet Bulb Thermometer	" 77·3
Dew Point	" 76·3
Relative humidity of Air	" ·854
Extent of cloudy sky (the whole sky clouded = 10)	" 10·0
Maximum temperature of air (read at 8 a.m.) next day	degrees 81·4
Minimum do. (read at 8 a.m.)	" 76·1
General Directions of wind*	WSW.
Movement of Wind in 24 hours*	miles 391
Fall of Rain	" 0·22
Total fall during month	" 17·76
" year	" 19·41
Additional fall of rain up to 10 a.m. of 22nd	" 0·17

* From midnight to midnight.

N. A. F. MOOS,
Director, Government Observatory.

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

[THE CHARGE FOR NOTIFYING A DOMESTIC OCCURRENCE IS TWO RUPEES. THE ANNOUNCEMENT MUST BE AUTHENTICATED.]

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTH.

CROMMELIN.—June 15, at Dharmsala, Punjab, the wife of Captain C Y Crommelin, 1-1 Gurkha Rifles, of a son.

MARRIAGE.

CRAWLEY—DICKSON.—June 17, at Bhadrak (Orissa), by the Rev M J Colleen, William George Crawley, B-N Railway, to Emily Adeline Harriet Dickson (widow).

DEATHS.

BARTON.—June 19, at Calcutta, George Charles Barton, aged 47 years.

CAMERON.—June 15, at Lucknow, Robert Croill, infant son of Matt B Cameron, Canning College.

McDERMOTT.—June 13, at Rawalpindi, Margaret McDermott, Lady Superior of the Presentation Convent, Rawalpindi, in the 44th year of her age.

NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS.

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THE Transvaal crisis continues, and Consols continue to fall. Yesterday they declined three points, making the total thirteen-sixteenths. The Cabinet are said to be unanimous, supporting the policy pursued with such pertinacity by the Colonial Secretary before and since the disastrous failure of the Jameson Raid. But it is strangely added that there is considerable doubt as to the line the Opposition may take. The doubt must, to all appearance, delay the pushing of matters to the extreme of declaring war and invading the territory of the South African Republic, and that of the Orange Free State, in defensive alliance with it. Public opinion might declare against an act of undisguised aggression, recalling the high-handed policy of Sir Bartle Frere—the Prancing Pro-Consul who excited the indignation of Lord Hartington and the British electorate nearly twenty years ago. The situation is tense, but the event may justify President Kruger in declaring that the Government will not venture to declare war upon a mere Party vote. The President would nevertheless show even more political acumen by giving the Johannesburghers the franchise and the right to return, say, four members to the Rand.

THE growth of the port of Calcutta was admirably described in a paper read on June 1st before the Indian Section of the Society of Arts by Sir Charles Cecil Stevens, K.C.S.I. The lecturer, though modestly disclaiming any right to be considered an expert in regard to the administration of the port, is eminently qualified for his task by having been for five or six years Chairman of the Port Commissioners and as such having taken a practical interest in its affairs. Sir Charles Stevens went back nearly three hundred years to trace the beginnings of the modern activity which has made Calcutta a busy port. Even in remote antiquity the western mouth of the Ganges possessed an important trade in silks and other products which were carried to the distant Malabar Coast from the great river, though piracy, that lawless form of competition, harassed the merchants on the way. The Portuguese in the 16th century settled at Chittagong and at Satgaon, and for over a hundred years had the European trade to themselves, the discovery of the Cape route having brought ships at last to the shores of India. They anchored their ships in Garden Reach, and sent cargoes from Europe and the Spice Islands up to Satgaon in small boats, which brought down precious freights of rice, cotton, cloths, sugar, myrabollams, long pepper, butter and oil, for return shipment. The river—as it does to this day—silted up, and the native merchants had to leave Satgaon and come lower down to meet their trade. They cleared the jungle and built the village of Govindpur, now occupied by Fort William and Hastings, on the left bank of the Hugli, and also established a mart for cotton goods at Satanati, where the Calcutta Mint and the Mayo Hospital now stand. By the middle of the 17th century Portugal had grown indifferent to Indian affairs, and some servants of the energetic East India Company came to Hugli, which had replaced Satgaon as a trade centre. For thirty years the Company struggled with what Sir Charles Stevens describes as the rapacity of the native administrators, but the position becoming unbearable, the English merchants decided to imitate the Dutch and Portuguese and establish a fortified settlement. Job Charnock was then at Hugli, he stood high in the favour of the East India Company, which described him as "A person that has served us faithfully above 20 years, and hath never, as we understand, been a prowler for himself, beyond what was just and modest." This "person's" advice was followed, a squadron was sent from England, and an engagement ensued. The English suffered little loss, but decided to leave Hugli and settle at Satanati From this they moved later, and after varying fortune, the Emperor Aurangzibe, in his wisdom, made it easy for Job Charnock to settle at a village near Satanati. In 1700 this settlement was for the first time called Calcutta, and the new trade mart grew with a rapidity that justified the foresight of those who fought for it.

The first English ship for Hugli was the Lyoness in 1650, with a cargo of money and goods of the value of £7,336. In a little over a hundred years the outward trade amounted annually to over three and a quarter millions, the inward to something less than half that amount. We must skip the intervening years and try to realise that the import trade for 1897-98 from foreign countries alone, exclusive of the coasting trade, was twenty-nine crores and sixty-five lakhs, while the exports totalled close on forty-five crores. The goods imported and exported vary considerably from year to year. Cotton fabrics moved in 1897-98 to the front of the imports, a reversal of the old order, when they headed the exports. Sugar, too, was imported to the extent of 113 lakhs, and salt, that used to be made in Bengal, now costs Calcutta 52 lakhs as an import. Machinery and railway plant from Europe amount to two hundred lakhs; gold, whether brought with a view to future currency reforms, or to adorn the wearers of jewels, was imported in 1897 to the extent of two crores and one-third. At the head of the exports stands jute, tea coming next, a long way down, but rapidly rising. Hides and skins, and seeds, raw cotton, twist and yarn are other articles of export. The only old exports that are still shipped in any quantity are opium, indigo, lac, silk, and saltpetre. The new Bengal industry, coal-mining, contributes its quota to the outward trade of Calcutta. In 1896-97 the exports were 678,000 tons. They rose in 1898 to one million and a quarter. The only present limit to the trade seems to be the capacity of the railway to carry coal to the jetties.

The Hugli has from the very earliest time given trouble to the merchants of Calcutta. It cuts away the bank to the north of the town, and the mud removed silts up the channels in an ever varying and capricious manner. The Court of Directors in or about 1727 wisely remarked, when sanctioning protective works, that they ought to have been undertaken when the river "was first discovered to gullup away the ground." Yet even as late as 1853 little had been done. The grumblers of that day complained of the absence of quays, fixed landing-stages, jetties, or even floating-piers. There were, however, such absolute necessities as moorings and lights, and surveys had been made and were maintained by Government. The reason alleged for the continued neglect of the banks was a very insufficient one, that even our much abused Bombay Municipality would hardly have advanced :—"A general and indefinite idea was current that a comprehensive plan would some day be devised for securing greater advantages." Talk, surveys, plans, estimates, have all had their turn, but the river still silts up. Nevertheless, much has been done, or where would have been the manifest, and ever increasing prosperity of Calcutta as a port? The Port Commissioners comprise many of the ablest and most representative citizens, and their work includes the charge of the port, an extent of twenty miles, and the lighting and survey of its approaches. The income of the port, which was in 1897-98 nearly sixty-two lakhs, is rapidly increasing. Though the debt incurred by the Port Commissioners is pretty heavy—four crores and nine lakhs,—their credit is high, and they can borrow with an ease only second to that of Government itself. They have doubled the jetties, built tea warehouses and petroleum jetties and sheds, and have constructed a dock at a cost of nearly two millions sterling. They have improved the lighting and the surveys, and incessantly examine the bad parts of the river, keeping the pilots informed of every change. It is not the Commissioners' fault that the bad character of the Hugli and its channels has not improved, but has in fact deteriorated from its condition of even 150 years ago. The "James and Mary" shoal—so called from a ship of the name wrecked there in 1690—in the middle of the Hugli, above the confluence with that river of the Rupnarain, is the worst bit. There are many schemes for improving the navigation of the Hugli, and for evading or removing these obnoxious shoals. Various canal-cuttings have been suggested, but have not been attempted, none of the plans inspiring confidence or being too costly. In 1895, the Hugli showed a decided tendency to get rapidly worse, and though local experts hoped and believed that the damage done would not be permanent, it was decided to have an "opinion" from an engineer who had made incorrigible rivers his special study. Mr. Vernon-Harcourt was invited to examine the Hugli. He came, and all the authorities in Calcutta are unanimous in agreeing that his inquiries were exhaustive and his views generally sound. Not only that, but they agree with him in his objections to the schemes already proposed. One of the features of his plan is to cunningly turn the freshets, that map up the James and Mary shoals, to a good use in scouring away the sandbanks. We cannot unfortunately find space for his cleverly devised scheme. It is estimated to cost about twenty lakhs and a-half. Now, Mr. Apjohn and Captain Petley, both experts, with long experience of these shoals, agree as to the admirable nature of Mr. Vernon Harcourt's scheme, but fear that it would be necessary to add other works at considerable expense, to prevent dangerous erosion of the opposite bank. They give very precise reasons for their fears, and this divergence of opinion in those on whom they relied for advice has made the Port Commissioners pause. Mr. Lindon W. Bates, an American Engineer who was consulted regarding the works in the Scheldt below Antwerp, and who has planned and constructed the powerful dredgers to be used by the Russian Government in the Volga, advises the erection of certain walls with the removal, by dredging, of a triangular piece of land. He says that two dredgers, still larger than those on the Volga, would do the work. Mr. Bates estimates the cost if done by the Port Commissioners at 75 lakhs of rupees. He offers to do the work himself for £340,000, or he would execute it, receiving no payment until all was completed, when he would accept £1,000,000, and give a guarantee for 20 years under certain terms of payment and penalties. Mr. Vernon Harcourt naturally criticises Mr. Bates's proposals, though they are approved of by the Chief Engineer, Mr. Apjohn, and the Deputy Conservator, Captain Petley. Action, however, is suspended in face of the magnitude of the work. Great as may be the difficulties, there is no doubt that until the Hugli is harnessed and kept within bounds, the Port of Calcutta can never attain its full development.

THE health of Bombay as denoted by the weekly mortality statistics shows a slight improvement. The total number of deaths was 500 as against 448 in 1898. The plague returns show that the deaths far outnumber the new cases, which is a further sign of the subsidence in the pestilence. In Byculla, there were 10 deaths, Tadwadi coming next with five; while there were eleven wards in which no death has occurred. There has been a slight outbreak of small-pox in Worli and district, six deaths being recorded. Remittent fever is not so violent as last year, but phthisis is still very acute. The number of deaths registered last year from this cause was 57, whereas in the week under notice there were 90, in addition to which there were 88 victims to other complaints of the respiratory system. In the mofussil the plague reports also indicate a slight improvement. In Surat City the total mortality fell from 70 to 65, plague being on the decline, and in Thana district the cases of plague were principally confined to the fishermen of Manori village. Ahmednagar and Sholapur districts are practically free, and at Cutch a gratifying improvement has taken place, which the Political Agent considers is due to the combined effect of sealing up all houses and to the abating virulence of the disease. There was a slight increase in Poona district, but in Nasik there was again an increase, the figures being 20 indigenous cases and 15 deaths against 10 and 9 for the preceding week. In Satara district statistics fell off in point of numbers, while in Belgaum district affairs remain about the same. Dharwar, Bijapur, Kolaba, Karachi and Ratnagiri districts report steady decreases, but in Kanara district the village of Havji was newly infected, reporting five indigenous cases. In Kolhapur and Southern Maratha Country plague is still gradually increasing, the figures being 87 cases and 74 deaths against 79 and 55, respectively, in the previous week. An epidemic of typhoid fever is reported to be prevailing in the Kolhapur town.

THE Peace Conference, still sitting at the Hague, does not seem to lessen the expenditure on preparations for war, which were so onerous that the nations welcomed the Czar's Rescript as glad tidings of great joy to the tax-payers and the Chancellors of the Exchequer all the world over. The House of Commons has been asked to raise four million sterling to arm the defences of Greater Britain and to build barracks at home and abroad. When built, soldiers must be found to occupy them and to man the defences. But recruiting does not supply the men—or boys—required to fill the ranks of the army as it stands at present with the recent modest addition of five thousand to the former totals. The money can be found by increasing the Income Tax or other devices. But where are the recruiting sergeants to find the men? The expansion of the Empire is making heavy demands on the large, but not illimitable resources of the United Kingdom. In the last four years the expenditure connected with the new Imperialism has increased to an amount equal to the interest on the whole National Debt. A revenue of £1,12,000,000 does not suffice to meet the enormous strain. This year the Budget was balanced by an increase of the Wine Duties and a Stamp Duty on the shares of companies—and the absorption of half the Sinking Fund for the reduction of the National Debt. Heavy taxation must in the nature of things be resorted to next year and in the years to follow, to meet the obligations incurred by the continuous additions to the Navy, to say nothing of the Army and land forces generally. Officers, crews and equipment must be provided for every new battleship and cruiser, with new shore defences for the colonies and the vast stretches of unproductive territory which can never be colonised by our Home population. The bill will be heavy, and the luckless taxpayer will have to pay it as best he can.

BRIGADIER-GENERAL, F. VENTRIS, C. B., Commanding Bombay District, accompanied by Captain Aitken, Deputy Assistant Adjutant-General, left Bombay, yesterday morning, for Deolali, on a tour of inspection. A salute of nine guns was fired from the saluting battery to announce the departure. General Ventris will return to Bombay on Saturday next.

YESTERDAY, Mr. J. Sanders Slater, Chief Presidency Magistrate, committed Luxmon Narayan Joshi, Sub-editor of the "Gurakhi" newspaper, to take his trial at the High Court, on the charge of sedition.

AT the High Court yesterday, Mr. Justice Parsons and Mr. Justice Ranade reversed the order of transfer, made by Mr. Slater, Chief Presidency Magistrate, of the cases against Dada Meya Shaik Yacoob and three others from the court of Mr. Hamilton, second Presidency Magistrate, to the court of Mr. P. H. Dastur, third Presidency Magistrate. It was remarked that the Chief Presidency Magistrate has the power to withdraw any case from any one of the subordinate magistrates and refer it for enquiry or trial to any other magistrate. The objection to jurisdiction, therefore, failed. It appeared, however, that the orders in question were made *ex parte* in consequence of a letter from the Commissioner of Police, without notice to either party. This was a fatal defect, and their lordships reversed the orders and directed the Chief Presidency Magistrate to proceed in the matter after due notice to the complainant and the accused persons.

LIEUT. G. WARNEFORD, 44th (Gurkha) Bengal Infantry, has been appointed to act as Second in Command, Savantvadi Local Corps, and *ex-officio* Assistant Superintendent, Savantvadi.

MR. W. H. LUCAS, I.C.S., has been appointed Political Agent at Rewa Kantha.

THE services of the Rev. J. A. R. Brookes, M.A., Joint Chaplain of Karachi, are temporarily placed at the disposal of the Government of the Punjab.

MR. E. G. L. LAIRD-MACGREGOR, I.C.S., has been appointed official visitor of the Karwar prison.

THE services of Lieutenant E. A. Cassels, A.-D.-C. to the Political Resident, Aden, are replaced at the services of the Government of India.

THE Volunteer's Officers Decoration has been conferred on Major W. Shipp, of the G. I. P. Volunteers.

THE services of Mr. P. R. Caddell, I.C.S., are replaced at the disposal of the Government of Bombay.

AFTER prolonged dwindling the plague returns in Calcutta on Monday reached vanishing point.

IN a railway accident at Finshing, the daughter of M. Roth, the Swiss Delegate to the Peace Conference, and two guards were killed.

SATURDAY'S cholera returns in Karachi showed 2 cases and 1 death only; and the returns for the 19th show no cases and 2 deaths.

A FIRE has occurred in the Victoria Docks, London, in a shed, and on the steamer Banffshire. Two firemen operating on the flames were killed.

DURING the season Colonel E. G. Barrow will lecture at the United Service Institute on Stonewall Jackson, Colonel Rundall on the American Civil War, and General Beresford Lovett on the Mahratta War.

SIR TREVOR PLOWDEN returns from Ootacamund to Hyderabad on Sunday evening. His Highness the Nizam goes to Calcutta in December to discuss State affairs with His Excellency the Viceroy.

TO their other successes in Simla this season the representatives of Patiala added a victory in the annual chess tournament; Raja Babu, A.-D.-C. to the Maharaja, having scored 27 wins out of 28 games.

THE mofussil health reports for the week ending 9th instant, just published, show that an epidemic of fever, the nature of which has since been determined to be typhoid, is prevailing in the Kolhapur town.

THE water-supply for use of the troops at the Malakand Kotal has fallen from 12,000 to 2,000 gallons daily, and, as was done last year, has had to be supplemented by water brought from the North Camp.

RETIRED Honorary Commissioned Officers of the Indian Subordinate Medical Department, when employed on plague duty, are to be granted travelling allowances on the scale admissible to officers of the first class.

THE Moghal Serai-Gya extension of the East Indian Railway will probably be open for traffic in December, when it is expected the big bridge over the Sone will be finished. The formal opening may not take place till the beginning of next year.

WORK on the Baran-Daltonganga branch of the Moghul Serai extension is now in full swing, and has made good progress, though the final arrangements for the acquisition of the land were only completed on June 1st.

MR. JUSTICE HANDLAY has been far from well since his appointment to the Calcutta High Court. He has not been able to take his seat on the Bench for some little time past. The learned Judge has left Calcutta for Kurseong on a short stay in the hope of shaking off the obstinate attack of fever from which he has been suffering.

HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN telegraphed her sympathy to President Loubet when he was mobbed at the Auteuil Races.

SIR ARTHUR STRACHEY and Mr. Justice Burkitt of the Allahabad High Court go home by the Peninsular on July 15th; and Mr. Justice Aikman follows as soon as the Court rises for the vacation. Mr. Justice Knox will spend the vacation at Naini Tal, joining Mr. Justice Blair, who will act as vacation Judge, for the confirmation of capital sentence whenever the need arises.

OUT of a whirlwind of transfers in the Punjab it has come about that for the moment the civil and criminal administration of Lahore is almost entirely in the hands of native officers. The Divisional and Sessions Judge, the District Judge, the Assistant District Judge and the Small Cause Court Judge are all natives: while on the executive side there are three native Assistant and Extra-Assistant Commissioners. The Deputy Commissioner, the Treasury Officer, and the Assistant Commissioner are the only European officials.

A COLOMBO telegram the U. S. S. First-class cruiser Olympia, with Admiral Dewey on board, arrived at Colombo yesterday morning. On landing the Admiral was received by a guard of honour. The Chamber of Commerce and the Planters' Association forwarded an address of welcome, which was presented to him in a silver casket on his landing. A thousand pounds of tea was presented to the officers and men to accentuate the feeling of kinship now existing between the two countries.

THE outturn of rubber from the forests of Assam showed a considerable decrease during 1897-98, only 2,846 maunds being extracted against 4,047 maunds in the previous year. The majority of the rubber comes from the Darrang and Lakhimpur Districts, and the decrease in the outturn is due to the gradual but steady destruction of the trees by tappers whose working in forests that contain scattered trees it has been found impossible to control. The revenue derived from rubber was only Rs. 39,000 against Rs. 56,000 in the previous year.

As acetylene gas and self-generating acetylene gas lamps are being introduced into India, it is worth nothing that a draft notification, which it is proposed to issue in regard to carbide of calcium (the raw material for the manufacture of acetylene gas), has been published in the "Gazette" with the view of eliciting possible objections or suggestions. In exercise of the powers conferred under the Petroleum Act, VIII of 1899, the provisions of certain sections of that Act are applied to the material in question, and 5lbs. is fixed as the limit of the quantity that may be imported, transported, or kept by any one person without a license. Detailed rules regarding transport and storage have been drawn up.

THE Lahore paper writes :—After the experience of the Birthday Gazette—when it was discovered, with a shock of surprise in all the Secretariats, that Honours were for the most part being given to the men who did the hard work—and now that the value of irrigation is being more appreciated than in Lord Elgin's reign, it is quite on the cards, we imagine, that the claims of deserving retired pensioners of the Irrigation Department will receive greater consideration. When the grants for colonisation on the new branches of existing canals or on others in course of construction, like the Jhelum project, come to be allotted, we trust that the services of the men whose labours alone make the land worth anything, will not be altogether ignored.

THE total number of deaths registered in Bombay during the week ending June 20 was 500, giving a death-rate of 30·50 per annum per thousand as against 26·38 the corresponding period of last year, and 28·34 the average over the past five years. Of the total number 36 died from fevers; 53, plague; 6, small-pox; 10, measles; 1, cholera; 1, leprosy; 90, phthisis; 41, diseases of the nervous system; 88, affections of the respiratory organs; 34, diarrhœa; 17, dysentery; 18, still-born; 9, old age and debility; 8, accidents and violence. The classified list of deaths shows :—Jain, 20; Brahmin, 8; Bhattia, 4; Hindu of other caste, 239; Hindu outcast, 56; Musalman, 127; Parsee, 23; Jew, 3; Native Christian, 13; Urasian, 2; European, 1; Negro-African, 3; other and unknown races, 1. The total number of births was 123 as against 192 the corresponding period of last year, and 257 the average over the past five years.

A BOX containing five thousand sovereigns is missing from the steamer Alameda. The box was missed between Sydney and San Francisco.

THE steamer Paris which struck on the Lowland Rocks, part of the Manacles, on May 21st, is still stranded, and has been transferred to the underwriters.

A STRIKE of 1,800 trackmen on the Canadian section of the Grand Trunk Railway began on May 22. The men demand an increase of pay.

DAWSON CITY, in the Yukon, has been almost totally destroyed by fire. The Bank of British North America and the Bank of Commerce, were burned out, and a large quantity of money was destroyed in the safe of the former. The loss is estimated at 4,000,000 dols., the loss of money alone amounting to 1,000,000 dols. No lives were lost.

NO small consternation has been created by the Rev. John M'Neill's unfortunate address by which he roused the indignation of the Highlanders. After the meeting closed many expressions of regret were heard to fall from the lips of leaders in the House, and it was even said that the incident had done more than Achnashean and Inverness to rouse Highland Free Churchmen against the Union. "What a pity!" exclaimed a leading member of the House, "What a pity such an unfortunate incident occurred." Everywhere little knots of melancholy faces could be seen wofully contemplating the wreck the Reverend Mr M'Neill had made, and it was even said that Union had been put back at least five years.

FROM the proceedings in the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland, remarks a contemporary, it will be seen that the action of the Government of India with re

TELEGRAMS.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

THE TRANSVAAL CRISIS.

FORTY THOUSAND TROOPS REQUIRED.

FIFTEEN THOUSAND FROM INDIA.

LONDON, JUNE 22.

The "Daily Mail" says it has practically been decided to increase the number of troops at the Cape to 42,000, India contributing 15,000.

THE DEFENCES OF GREATER BRITAIN.

JUNE 21.

In the House of Commons, to-day, Mr. Wyndham, Under-Secretary for War, introduced a Bill to raise £4,000,000 for the purpose of arming the defences abroad with heavy guns, and for the erection of barracks both at home and abroad.

The Bill, he explained, was merely in continuation of the policy of 1897 and was no new departure.

THE GOVERNMENT OF SAMOA.

The Commissioners sent to Apia by the three Powers have abolished the kingship of Samoa, and appointed a provisional government, composed of the three Consuls, British, American and German.

ANGLO-GERMAN TRADE RELATIONS.

The Reichstag has finally agreed to the prolongation of the commercial arrangement granting Great Britain and her colonies favoured nation treatment.

The Government insisted upon the inclusion of India in the arrangement on the grounds of expediency, notwithstanding the Indian Countervailing Sugar Duties Act.

GERMANY AND THE CAROLINES.

The Reichstag has adopted the loan for the purchase of the Carolines from Spain.

The Minister of Foreign Affairs, Herr von Buelow, predicted a splendid political and commercial future for the Islands, and hoped for increased intimacy between Germany and her new neighbours, America and Japan.

Herr von Buelow added that Germany had never thought of crossing the path of the active and talented Japanese.

UNIVERSITY DEGREES FOR PUBLIC SERVICES.

The degree of D.C.L. has been conferred by the Oxford University upon Mr. Cecil Rhodes, General Kitchener, and Lord Elgin, all of whom were heartily cheered at the ceremony

GOLD FOR INDIA.

The steamer Shannon, fr. Melbourne, homeward bound, takes £100,000 in gold for India.

AUSTRALIA VS. OXFORD UNIVERSITY.

The Australian cricketers have defeated Oxford University, Past and Present, by ten wickets.

COUNTY MATCHES.

Lancashire has won the match with Gloucestershire at Bristol by eight wickets.

The following matches were drawn:—Kent vs. Somersetshire at Bath; Essex vs. Warwickshire at Birmingham; and Yorkshire vs. Surrey at Leeds.

OBITUARY.

LONDON, JUNE 22.

The death is announced, at Malta, of Lady Grenfell wife of General Sir F. Grenfell, Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Malta.

THE MAILS.

SUEZ, JUNE 22.

The P. and O. Company's s.s. Peninsular, with the outward mails of the 18th instant, left here, at 1 a.m, to-day.

THE RANGOON OUTRAGE.

OLDIERS HANDED OVER TO THE POLICE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

RANGOON, JUNE 22.

As a result of the military enquiry which has just closed its sittings, it is expected that four soldiers of the West Kent Regiment will be handed over to the police to-morrow in connection with the recent Rangoon outrage.

THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF'S TOUR.

SIMLA, JUNE 22.

The Commander-in-Chief may possibly make a short trip into the interior about the end of the current month, but the statement published by one of your contemporaries, to the effect that his Excellency is making a tour amongst the hill stations, is erroneous.

MILITARY NOTIFICATIONS.

Lieutenant-Colonel Bell is confirmed as Assistant Adjutant-General at Poona.

The officers of the 27th Bombay Infantry are granted three instead of the usual two months' leave this year in consideration of the service in Africa.

Veterinary-Captain J. Braddell officiates as Inspecting Veterinary Officer, Bombay Command, during the absence of Veterinary Lieutenant-Colonel Adam, on leave.

Captain Roos-Keppel, who did so brilliantly in the recent foray against the Chamkannis, probably takes three months' privilege leave. Mr. Stuart Waterfield, commanding the Peshawar Border Military Police, will officiate.

THE POONA CHEQUE FORGERY.

JUDGMENT AGAIN POSTPONED.

POONA, JUNE 22.

The case against Walsh and Grande being called, to-day, before Mr. Aston, Sessions Judge, Grande read out the following statement:—The accused Walsh stated yesterday it was not he who ordered cheques to be printed. This is false. He ordered them. Walsh's ideas and plans were all prepared before I arrived in Poona from Bombay. I deny having given any cheques to Walsh. I am a foreigner and not perfect in the English language. Walsh took advantage of this, and frequently called at my residence, but I never visited his residence. Walsh advised me. He tried every way to get me to leave India, and informed me the police were looking out for me. He advised me to go to Africa. Being a foreigner, and having no means of defending myself, I beg the Court to consider my case with leniency.

Mr. Aston summed up the evidence to the Assessors observing that the evidence was substantially true. Cheques A and C were bogus. The accused Walsh got them printed. The cheques were filled by him and used for fraudulently obtaining the money named; Armstrong being employed to gain credit. He thought Grande had abetted the offence of cheating and tried to pass a bogus cheque and use it as genuine for the purposes of cheating.

Before sentence was passed Mr. Gadgil asked the court to deal leniently with Walsh. Most of the money had been repaid.

His Worship inquired if Cursetjee had been paid. Mr Gadgil said the accused's mother was willing to pay.

His Worship said it would have been better if application had been made after the money had been paid, but he agreed to defer passing sentence till Saturday, in order to give Mr. Gadgil time to settle.

ILLNESS OF JUSTICE HANDLEY.

CALCUTTA, JUNE 22.

Justice Handley has been far from well since his appointment to the High Court, and has not been able to take his seat on the bench for some little time past. He has left Calcutta for Kurseong on a short visit, in the hope of shaking off the obstinate attack of fever from which he has been suffering.

CALCUTTA MORTALITY.

One fresh case of plague was reported in Calcutta on Wednesday; no deaths. One death from plague occurring on a previous date was brought to light.

Thirty-six deaths were reported from all causes against 44, the average of the previous five years.

CALCUTTA TURF CLUB.

Owing to ill-health Mr. Sidney Hantwell has resigned the appointment of Official Measurer, Calcutta Turf Club, and goes home, hoping to return to India in October or November.

THE CHARGE AGAINST THE CITY POLICE INSPECTOR.

APOLOGY BY THE ACCUSED.

CASE WITHDRAWN.

SURAT, JUNE 22.

The hearing of the case, in which Mr. Hurdevram, barrister-at-law, son of the late Justice Nanabhai Haridas, charged Rao Saheb Motilal, the City Inspector of Police, with wrongful confinement, assault, and intentional insult, was resumed, to-day, before Mr. Wales, the Assistant Collector; Mr. F. Sorabji Taleyarkhan, barrister-at-law, appearing for the prosecution, and Mr. Gulabdas, pleader, for the defence.

Cross-examination of the witness, Trivedi, was finished, and the next witness, Nurotam Sataawala, was being examined, when accused rose, and tendered the following apology to the complainant in open court. He said: "I am sorry for what happened on the night of the 28th April between myself and Messrs. Hurdevram and Mukundrai. I had no intention of annoying or insulting Messrs. Hurdevram and Makundrai, and what I did was done on the impulse of the moment, under the impression that Messrs. Hurdevram and Mukundrai had no business to be there.

Mr. F. Sorabji Taleyarkhan, counsel for the prosecution, said that in the face of the statement made by the accused he was instructed by Mr. Hurdevram to state that the prosecution would not press the case further. Mr. Hurdevram was obliged to launch the prosecution to vindicate his and Mr. Mukundrai's position and reputation, and not with any vindictive motives. He was, however, glad to see that accused had even at that stage seen the necessity of adopting the only course that was open to him under the circumstances, viz., to express his regret for his conduct, and there he was clearly well advised. As a gentleman Mr. Hurdevram did not think it necessary to proceed further in the matter.

The Magistrate, Mr Wales, remarked that he was glad that the case was settled, and that he thought it ought to have been four days ago. He recorded the statement of the accused; and thus ended the case which had created a great sensation here, and was daily watched by the public in large numbers.

THE FACTION RIOTS IN THE SOUTH.

THE SITUATION IN TRVANCORE.

SHENCOTTAH, JUNE 18.

This morning I arrived at Shencottah. The situation here is just as bad as it is in the neighbouring British territory. The first act of violence was committed at a place called Lalakudiyiruppu on Monday, the 12th instant, when five Shanar houses where burnt and property looted. It is very refreshing to know that the Police were promptly on the mob; but they got severely beaten and were forced to retire, with two men badly hurt. A gun and a quantity of ammunition fell into the hands of the rioters. The same day risings were reported in three other places, Agarakattu, Palankudiyiruppu and Kullatai Kudiyiruppu. In the first name place twelve houses were burnt and looted. In the second, the Magistrate would appear to have held out against the mob, but was borne down by sheer force of numbers and escaped with some difficulty. At this and the last named place there were no houses burnt, only looting. A distressing feature of these riots was the resort to the practice of cutting off the ears of the women for their earrings, which appears, from all accounts, to have been extensively indulged in. Tuesday saw two villages attacked,—Marthandapuram, burnt and looted, and Ananthapuram, looted. On the following day, the rioters were after higher game, having attacked Samboovadagarai, (near Srandai, in the Tinnevelly District) consisting of about 450 Shanar houses, all of which were burnt. I am told that the Shanars made a good fight, but here, as every where else, they were out-numbered. I do not know whether the Police stood by the Shanars in resisting the attack or not. Considering how bravely the Shanars held out at the beginning, effective backing up by the Police might have turned the scales the other way. Whether properly assisted by the Police or not, the Shanars were overpowered, and the entire village burnt and plundered as only the Maravars know how to do. The extent of the property carried away and otherwise damaged cannot be estimated at present; but it cannot be under half a lakh. As showing how thoroughly the Maravars do their business, it may be stated that they destroy even the earthen pots which the poorer classes use for cooking and other purposes, so that you can understand in what a pitiable state the inhabitants of these villages are left.

OTHER OUTRAGES.

The rioters in Travancore territory resumed operations on Thursday by attacking Agarakutta. As already stated this place was attacked on Monday, but there was one solitary Shanar house left standing and the Maravars were after *that*. They accomplished their purpose. I am nearing the end of this horrible diary of the doings of the Maravars in Shencottah taluq day by day. On Friday they attacked Iyakudi. Here, however, they came in conflict with the Sepoys of the 19th M. I., who were marching to the relief of the taluq, and who promptly dispersed them, but not before the bulk of the gang were arrested. The only other disturbance reported after this is from Casanajorpuram (near Courtallam) where property was looted.

THE TRAVANCORE PLAN OF OPERATIONS.

As already advised by telegram, the State authorities have made and are making admirable arrangements for quelling the riots. The Nair Brigade (of which one Company under Lieutenant Bousfield here) is rendering effective patrol duty. Now, this is very important, in view of the fact that the Maravars are coming mostly from the British villages. There can be no doubt, as I have said, that this part of the business is well looked after; but they might as well double the force now acting on the Travancore Tinnevelly border. If they do that they will have done everything necessary to prevent the outbreak from spreading to Nagercoil side, where a large and fairly prosperous Shanar population is to be found. Frankly, the State might have foreseen the possibility of an attack on the large and fairly prosperous community of Shanars in Travancore. After Tenkasi, Travancore was a dead certainty. But surely it is ungracious to blame for what has been left undone when what is now being done deserves nothing but praise. Mr. Rajaram Row, the District Magistrate, Quilon Division, assisted by his staff, is working most energetically at Shencottah, and he hopes to see the end of this business ere long. He is thinking of organising vigilance parties consisting mainly of the civil population to watch the frontier. It is an admirable idea, which he might easily put into practice in Travancore, but which our authorities cannot in view of the veiled hostility of the people towards the Shanars.

One hundred arrests have been made in Travancore. Samburvudagarai, a village in Travancore, consisting of 450 houses, has been totally destroyed.

SHANAR CONVERSIONS TO MAHOMEDANISM.

Telegraphing from Tenkasi yesterday our special correspondent remarks:—There is a curious movement on the part of Shanars towards conversion to Islamism. Three villages in Travancore were converted wholesale under the influence of fear and promise of protection from Mahomedans. Similarly in British territory, Pumbli, in Tenkasi taluk and four villages have thus been converted and Hindu temples have become Mahomedan places of worship. Hair is drawn away and the Shanars have shaved their heads ... are commencing to grow beards. Mahomedan leaders are going about converting. The total converted on the British side was 600 in one day.

THE DAMAGE IN TINNEVELLY DISTRICT.

The extent of the damage done in Tenkasi Taluq may be judged from the fact that 20 villages were destroyed in Shorandai and Uthumalai limits and 15 others elsewhere. Mr. Bedford, Lieutenant Firth and Mr. Dene have been at Shorandai for the last four days with sepoys, visiting threatened and attacked villages, investigating cases, and restoring confidence. Cutting off of ears is reported, while extortion is declared to be general. Whole villages have been depopulated, thus rendering the work of plunder easy. The greatest credit is due to Mr. Bedford, Mr. Firth and Mr. Dene for the energy, firmness and discretion with which they have dealt with the situation.—*Madras Mail* (June 20).

TABLE TALK.

BY WALTER BESANT.

LONDON, JUNE 2.

On Wednesday, May 24, I was present at the most beautiful of all possible gatherings. It was a collection of two thousand children—the boys of the Duke of York's School and the boys and girls of other institutions for children of the Services—the children of the Empire. The place was Her Majesty's Theatre; the giver of the Feast was Mr. Beerbohm Tree, who must be congratulated and envied. I am sure that all other managers were green with envy—as green as the trees in the park. First he made a little speech. Then the children sprang to their feet, and, with one consent, with unanimous voice, wished Her Majesty many happy returns of the day. Next they sang "God Save the Queen." In the evening I heard a great tenor sing the same hymn. It was very fine, but I preferred the sweet, pure voices of the children all together. In the after years they will remember this day. They will tell of the stage grouped with the band, and the boys carrying the colours, and the tall figure of their entertainer, and the dim recesses of the darkened theatre and the occasion itself. They will remember in their old age the eightieth birthday of the Queen, whom their grandchildren, as Lord Rosebery said in the evening, speaking before another audience, will be taught to call Victoria the Venerable or Victoria the Well-beloved.

Some weeks ago we were talking about the ancient superstition of making a waxen image of an enemy, and bringing disaster upon that enemy by sticking pins into his image, or by setting it before the fire to melt slowly away. Most of us thought that the custom and the belief were dead and buried and forgotten. I believe that no superstition ever dies. This, at least, is not dead. I learn that it still survives in Cornwall, where an instance occurred a short time ago. In a certain village there arose first a whisper, then a murmur, and then an open talk among the people. A scandal stalked visibly about the place, and was present wherever two or three were gathered together. The people, when their minds were fully possessed with the flagrant nature of the scandal, met together and took counsel. Such a case, it seemed, was only to be met by the time-honoured custom of the Effigy and the Fire; at once a punishment, and an expression of hatred for the offence. They accordingly constructed two figures rudely representing the persons concerned; they dressed them up; they bore them in a procession to the village green, and then they placed them upright, as if they were criminals condemned to the stake, piled faggots round them, and solemnly burned them. This act of faith accomplished, they went home, expecting presently to learn of some disaster falling upon the guilty. What happened I know not, but even if nothing happened, the faith of the people in the act of purification and punishment would not be shaken.

I have just laid down an extremely interesting volume. Nothing is more interesting, just as nothing is more common, than the unexpected. The book is written by a novelist unknown to me, named Wilbur Gleason Zeigler, and it is published in Chicago. You can only get it, I believe, by writing to Chicago for it. The history of the book is this. The author, many years ago, read the plays of Christopher Marlowe, as has happened to others. The plays first, and the poet next, got upon the brain of the reader. He saw possibilities—infinite possibilities—in Marlowe; so have others, including Swinburne—"it is not" says the latter, "for any man to pronounce what it is that Christopher Marlowe could not have done." Marlowe, in the opinion of Mr. Zeigler, could have done anything or everything. Now when the authorship of Shakespeare's plays was attributed to another hand, Mr. Zeigler began to turn the matter over in his own mind. It was not Shakespeare, he thought, who wrote those plays. Shakespeare, he considered, was a kind of rustic, illiterate person. Nor was it Bacon? Who, then? Why, Marlowe, of course—Marlowe. But Marlowe died in 1593, at the age of twenty nine—so it is said. But, mark! the accounts of his death are contradictory. Mr Zeigler supposes, therefore, that Marlowe did not die—that he "did something"; that he had, in consequence, to go into hiding; that the case was so serious that his friends gave out that he was dead, that they had to keep up the pretence during the remainder of his life—a long remainder; and that, in obscurity and retreat, Marlowe occupied himself with writing Shakespeare's plays, allowing, because there was no help for it, an incapable pretender to put his own name to them, and to take to himself the glory of immortality. That is his theory. In order to prove it, he has not written a laboured essay, as he would have done twenty years ago, but a novel. Marlowe is the hero of this novel, and if you read it, you will find fully set off now he came to do "something," what it was, why he had to go into hiding, and how this grand secret, not even suspected for three hundred years, has at last come to light by means of a keen-witted American. Henceforth, dear reader, you will cease to speak of Shakespeare with the ignorant multitude, or of Bakespeare, or of Shakebacon, or any other form and combination indicating a theory; you will speak of Shake-Marlowe, or Marspeare, or of Marlowe and Co, or even if you will not allow any part at all to William, of Marlowe alone. It is really an epoch-making discovery. As soon as the book comes over here we must all hasten to order it and to read it through. In a future edition, perhaps the author may not scorn the assistance of someone who knows London. He has consulted Stow, but without sources of information, Stow will not enable a novelist to reconstruct an Elizabethan city

I have only to add that the chief reason which made Mr. Zeigler believe that Shakespeare could not have written his plays was that he said nothing about them in his will. He thinks it certain that if he had written them he would have mentioned them. Why? To bequeath his copyrights, royalties, and shares in profits! But there was no such thing as copyright, rights in royalties, or anything of the kind in Shakespeare's time. A play was bought "outright" for a very small sum. Shakespeare made his money by his shares in the theatre. Since there was nothing more to be made by his plays, why should he mention them in a document dealing wholly with property? Does a great artist of the present day, when he has sold all his pictures, mention them in his will? A similar omission prevents Mr Zeigler from attributing the plays to Bacon. I should have supposed that there were other objections. If, however, one falls to taking Mr. Zeigler seriously one must ask how it was possible that a secret held by two or three men—a secret so important—should have been kept when the principal person concerned was dead? It seems impossible. Would Ben Jonson get no hint or conceive no suspicion? It seems impossible. And the concealment of the man all these years would involve difficulties and dangers of every kind, with the necessity of getting all kinds of persons as confederates in the secret. It is a bold conception, and one more proof of Marlowe's power, but the theory will not work. I would advise Mr. Zeigler to read Lee's Life of Shakespeare, in which he will find how very much more is known about the poet than is generally believed.

There was an alarming estimate advanced in a recent number of the "St. James's Gazette" of the number of would-be novelists now living and panting for fame in this country. The writer places the number at 360,000, and arrives at this amazing figure in the following manner: Mr. Methuen, a publisher, has stated that he accepts for publication six only out of 1,200 MSS. offered him every year—one out of 200. Now, says the "St. James's," there were 1,800 novels published last year. Therefore, at the same rate, there must have been 360,000 MSS. offered. Let us consider the figures a little more closely. I have not before me the figures of last year. But I suppose that these were taken from the "Publisher's Circular," which compiles such a list every year. Now in 1895 I compared the figures given in that paper for 1894 with the list of new books given in the "Times." It will be conceded that every work of the least importance appears in the daily lists of the "Times." I found that the "Circular" gave 1594 novels and story books, while the "Times" gave 770 only. Mr. Methuen was clearly talking about novels, not story books. The number has gone up in four years. Presumably the total reached last year by the "Times' lists was 800. If, therefore, the same percentage of rejections was the rule, that gives us 160,000 aspirants. But we cannot even suffer this figure to remain. For the 1200 MSS. offered to Mr. Methuen every year are not offered to him alone. They go on their travels. What one publisher refuses another very often takes. A publisher told me some years ago—MSS. were not certainly so common then—that he accepted 2 per cent., which is four times Mr. Methuen's percentage. Again, a great many, after being refused by everybody, are produced by one or other of the benevolent people who lie in wait for the simpletons who agree to pay large sums for the production of their immortal works. In these ways the percentage of refusals is very much lessened. The "Times" list of 800 represents, perhaps, 16,000 MSS. That is to say, in one way or the other, 20 per cent., or something like 20 per cent., of the MS. novels offered to publishers do get accepted and published, though very often to the loss and disappointment of the author. The number of those who succeed, whether from the literary or the commercial point of view, is, of course, very small.

I find myself charged with attracting, by my "optimism," young people into a profession where they will meet with nothing but disappointment. It is a great fact that a vast number of young people are now eagerly desirous of entering upon the literary life. It is also true that I have repeatedly told those few who listen to me that literature is "no longer a beggarly profession." But, indeed, it is not my voice that has "turned the stream of youthful ambition" in this direction—many forces are influencing them. Thus, there is the enormous demand for literary work in all the magazines and journals; it seems certain work; it employs many hundreds, even thousands; there is the prospect of the splendid prizes offered in every branch of literature—name and fame and fortune; there is the certainty that the prizes are not to be gained by private interest, by privilege of birth, by backstairs influence, by any bribery. They are bestowed by the award of critics or by the acclamation of the multitude. There is, again, the charm of a profession which seems so easy, so delightful, and so independent. With all these attractions, what wonder if the competition grows more crowded and more eager? Of course it will become every year more crowded and more eager. The prizes are increasing in value; the competitors are becoming more numerous. They fail; they strike upon the rocks; they sink. It is by reason of their own incompetence. They blame editors, publishers, and those who, like myself, have pointed out the truth as to the calling; but their failure is due to their own incompetence. And as for failure, is there not plenty of it in the other professions? At one end there is the sixpenny doctor with the red lamp in Whitechapel; and there is the physician with his great house in West-end square, at the other end. At one end there is the Q. C. with his £10,000 a year, and at the other end there is the poor little solicitor hanging round a police court, picking up cases at 5s. a piece. I cannot see any optimism in proclaiming the truth. In other professions, again, as well as in letters, men fail who seem to deserve success; they succeed in a small way; they lack one or two of the qualifications necessary to success, while they have all the rest. For instance, in literature, if a man is to succeed, he must possess manner as well as matter; his writing must be able to please; he ought to be sincere; he ought to be real; but if he can please, the world accepts him with many defects; if he does not please, the world will not have him at all. Again in considering a profession, we do not look on the failures, but on the successes. How great a career is possible in the church or in the law! We do not think of the elderly curate or the lawyer grown grey while vainly waiting in his lonely chambers for the brief which never comes. We think of bishop and of dean, of judge and of Queen's counsel, and in thinking and in speaking of literature, we must think and speak of the great writers and their great success.

THE CHARGE OF SEDITION.

At the Esplanade Police Court, yesterday afternoon, before Mr. J. Sanders-Slater, Chief Presidency Magistrate, the case in which Mr. Mirza Abbas Ali Baig, Oriental Translator to Government, has charged Luxmon Narayan Joshi, sub-editor of the Marathi daily, called the "Gurakhi," with publishing seditious articles in its issues of the 26th, 30th and 31st March, was again called on for hearing. Mr. Nicholson, Public Prosecutor, assisted by Inspector Framji Bhicaji, prosecuted; while Mr. Velinkar, pleader, defended the accused.

Datatrya Gopal Joshi, the present editor of the "Gurakhi," who was examined yesterday in the case against Bhatye, was the first witness called. Examined by Mr. Nicholson, he said he was employed as proof corrector in the "Gurakhi" office. The "Gurakhi" was a Marathi paper and published daily, and was circulated in Bombay, Ratnagiri, Nassik Akola, Dharwar and other places. The accused Joshi was not witness' relative. Joshi was assistant-editor of the "Gurakhi," and was engaged by Bhatye, the proprietor of the paper, in February last. He was sub-editor of the paper from the 25th to the 31st March last. Witness did not know Joshi before his employment as sub-editor. Witness produced the daily account book and said 1,608 copies of the paper were printed on the 26th March last for sale. The article, entitled "The king and the kingdom" appeared in that day's paper. Witness read the proof of that article the manuscript of which was in the handwriting of the accused. Witness received the manuscript from Joshi. On the 30th March 1,606 copies were printed for sale. Between the 26th and 30th March the paper was not published on account of the Shimga holidays. The manuscript of the article of the 30th March was given to witness by the accused. 1,577 copies were printed on the 31st March. Witness corrected the proof of the article which appeared in that issue and compared it with the manuscript, which was in the handwriting of the accused. The accused received Rs. 20 per month as salary. Witness then referred to the article written by the accused for publication on the 1st April last, but which was withheld by Bhatye.

Mr. Nicholson proposed to put in the manuscript of the article.

Mr. Velinkar objected on the ground that the article in question was irrelevant to the present inquiry. His client was not charged with the publication of that article.

Mr. Nicholson submitted that under section 14 of the Evidence Act the article was admissible as showing the tendency of the accused.

The objection was over ruled, and at the request of Mr. Velinkar, the Magistrate made a note of it.

Vithu Ganpat, examined by Mr. Nicholson, said he was a compositor in the New Bombay Press. He set up in type the first article complained of. He received the manuscript from the accused. He was one of the compositrs who set up the other two articles in type at the accused's order.

Cross-examined by Mr. Velinkar, witness said that the accused gave him the manuscript of the first article, but he did not tell him to set it up in type. The same answer applied to the other articles.

Re-examined by Mr. Nicholson, witness said it was his business to set up matter in type, and he simply followed his practice in respect to the articles in question. He handed over the proofs of the articles to the last witness for correction.

Mr. Framji Bhiccaji, Inspector of Police in the Criminal Investigation Department, examined by Mr. Nicholson, said on the 14th instant he received a warrant of arrest against V. N. Bhatye, and a search warrant to search his press. In virtue of the latter warrant he took possession of certain papers. Among the articles he seized was a card box, which contained some letters signed by Luxmon Narayan Joshi. In consequence of warrants he received on the 16th he arrested the accused and searched his house at Poona. The accused produced a postcard among other things. The post card was put in.

Cross-examined by Mr. Velinkar, witness said that the manuscript of the first article was not delivered up to him by Bhatye, when he searched the press.

Did Bhatye say anything to you about it?—Yes. He said, he believed it was with the managing clerk of his solicitor.

Did he say why he had given it to the clerk?—He said it was given to his solicitor to get his advice.

That is, as to whether it came within the Penal Code or not?—He simply said he had given it to his solicitor to get legal advice.

You never received the article?—No.

Then how did it come here?—I do not know. During the search the accused picked up a number of letters and gave them to me willingly.

Mr. Nicholson at this stage said that upon this evidence he submitted the matter came within section 124A of the Penal Code. The article spoke for itself, and he asked for committal.

On being questioned by the Court, the accused said he would make his statement at the High Court.

The Magistrate then formally framed the charge of sedition against the accused, and committed him to take his trial at the ensuing Criminal Sessions of the High Court.

THE CRISIS IN THE TRANSVAAL.

PREPARATIONS IN INDIA.

BOMBAY READY WITH TRANSPORTS.

As our correspondent wired from Simla on Wednesday evening, though there is not at present any intention of carrying native troops from this country to South Africa, the impression at Army Head Quarters is that there would be room for the advantageous use of from ten to fifteen thousand Native troops in garrisoning such places as the Cape, Natal, and Zululand, while British troops now in Natal moved to the front. Such a force, it is believed in Simla, could, if required, be embarked within a fortnight without difficulty from the Bombay and Punjab Armies alone, and would form no small addition to the British fighting strength in South Africa, which is to be raised to 25,000 men—none too many for such an enterprise. We find that so excellent are the arrangements in the Bombay Dockyard, that, if it were necessary, at least a couple of regiments could be despatched before the end of the week. The Indian Marine steamships Clive and the Canning are both in the dock undergoing their annual overhaul, but there being no heavy work needful on them they may be considered practically ready for sea at any moment. In the dockyard are all the needful stores and fittings, ready to hand, and the boxes for cavalry and transport animals only require placing in position. Further than this, there are other vessels of the Indian Marine in the dockyard which could be ready for service within a limit of ten days, and beyond these the British India Company has all its fittings for horses and troops, as well as several available vessels, which might be got ready within the time specified by our correspondent. As for the troops, the officers at all events are eager to go. They would only be too glad of an opportunity of avenging General Colley and their comrades who fell at Majuba Hill, and would enter into a friendly rivalry as to which regiment should be first ready to move. Should Indian troops be ordered for service in South Africa, it would not be to fight the Boers, merely to garrison Cape Colony and Natal. But already Simla has been flooded with applications for service either in the British Colonies or against the Boers. If orders for the despatch of troops should be issued, there would at once be a rush of officers back from leave, whilst the scores of Bombay officers, now on plague duty, would immediately rejoin their regiments. Fever and plague, together with staff duties, at the present moment, have left the Bombay regiments generally under-officered. Of nine British officers not counting attached Subalterns, in the 1st Grenadiers, six, according to the last Indian Army List, are absent from Ahmednugger. Of the 2nd, seven out of eleven are absent; in the 3rd four out of eight; of the 4th, five out of eight; of the 5th seven; 7th, six out of nine; of the 8th five out of eight; and of the 9th five out of nine. The 19th Regiment has eleven officers, excluding attached, and of these eleven we find one acting as Deputy Assistant Adjutant-General; another serving with the Uganda Regiment; a third employed as tutor to a Nawabzada; a fourth, Provost Marshal, Malakhand, and a fifth serving in the Commissariat Department. Every regiment is practically the same. But at the sound of the first war note every officer would be in his place—or, if out of it, scrambling for service with some other regiment, should his own be not one of those selected.

The London correspondent of the *Pioneer* wires:—I have the best authority for stating that the Cabinet is unanimous on the Transvaal question. The Unionists have been unexceptionably loyal to Mr. Chamberlain. The fact that Sir Donald Currie and some other influential persons oppose war is said to be attributable to large mining interests. Sir Alfred Milner's telegraphic despatch was received a fortnight before publication. It was impossible, however, for the Government to proceed until the result of the Bloemfontein Conference was known and the Opposition took a definite stand.

The *Spectator* the *Daily News*, and other Liberal papers were steadily and helpfully strengthening public opinion until Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman's mischievous speech at Ilford unsettled everything. Learning the evil results of the speech both at the Cape and at Home, the leader of the Opposition, on Wednesday, hesitatingly retracted his words, but his shuffling is excessively annoying. Many wish Sir William Harcourt had never resigned; the latter would honestly have opposed the Government policy now, and the country would have disowned him, leaving the line clear. It is beginning to be feared that the only possible solution is an ultimatum, and President Kruger is confident that Britain cannot declare war on a party vote. He ignores the Schreiner-Hofmeyr party at the Cape, who are working arduously to prevent war.

GENERAL REDVERS BULLER.

General Sir Redvers Henry Buller, who is to have chief command in case of war was born on December 7th, 1839, of one of the oldest families of Devonshire, and is the son of James Wentworth Buller, of Downes, Crediton. For forty-one years he has been a soldier, having entered the 60th Foot, now the King's Own Royal Rifles, in May, 1858, when he was but eighteen and a-half years old. Thus he was too late to take part either in the Crimean War or in the suppression of the Indian Mutiny, but for his age no soldier in Europe has seen more fighting. He was four and a-half years ensign, eight years lieutenant, and all his steps since captain have been steps for service in the field; major for Ashantee, lieutenant-colonel for South Africa, then aide-de-camp to the Queen (carrying the rank of colonel) for the double campaign, major-general for Egypt and the Eastern Soudan, and lieutenant-general virtually for the Nile. He has thus had an exceptionally brilliant career in the Army. His first active service was in the China campaign of 1860. He commanded his company in the 1st Battalion of the 60th through the Red River expedition, and shared in all the tremendous toils of it. And from that time he was on the high road to fame. In the Ashantee campaign he was placed in the laborious and responsible post of D. A. A. and Q.-M.-G. And he worked hard and fought brilliantly in that deadly swamp. He was wounded at Ordasu, but not severely enough to prevent him going on to the finish at Coomassie. He was four times mentioned in despatches, and got the C. B. For nearly four years thereafter he was in a similar position at Army Headquarters, and there laid the foundation of that mastery of detail in administration which he now displays. He next went on

SPECIAL SERVICE IN SOUTH AFRICA,

and raised the Frontier Light Horse. In the Zulu campaign he was Sir Evelyn Wood's trustiest supporter. As Wolseley wrote afterwards to Wood, "You and Buller have been the bright spots in this miserable war, and all through I have felt proud that I numbered you both amongst my friends and companions in arms." In general orders Sir Garnet afterwards bore official testimony to the merits of these two officers, commending their military ability and untiring energy, and the zeal and effect with which Wood's plans were carried out by Buller. Nor was he without another reward—perhaps that most coveted by a soldier, though it has too often been given for petty things. In Toomey's "Heroes of the Victoria Cross" is this passage: "During the retirement on the Inhlobana mountains on March 28th, 1879, Buller rescued three men from certain death at the risk of his own. The Zulus were in hot and close pursuit. The first saved was Captain C. D'Arcy, Frontier Light Horse, whom he took behind him on his horse and galloped to the rear-guard. Hardly had this been effected when it came the turn of Lieutenant C. Everett, of the same corps, whose horse had been killed, to owe his life to Colonel Buller. Once again, this time a trooper of Captain D'Arcy's regiment was in danger. His horse was exhausted and unable to move. His doom appeared sealed. The foe was within a hundred yards of him. In a moment he was taken out of danger in the same manner as his officers, and by the same hand." On his return home he served as Chief of the Staff in Scotland and at Aldershot, and in 1881 he was again in South Africa, where his services were invaluable at the time of

THE BOER TROUBLES.

In 1877, the Transvaal, it will be remembered, was annexed by the British Government, and an administrator, with an executive council and a legislative assembly appointed. In 1880 the Boers took up arms against the British, defeated a body of troops at Majuba Hill, and as the result a treaty of peace was signed in March of the following year. By the convention then made amended by a second one in 1884, the Boers regained their independence, subject to a shadowy suzerainty of the British crown. In 1832 Sir Redvers Buller was head of the Intelligence Department with Lord Wolseley in Egypt, and contributed no little to the great success of the campaign. Two years later he was chief of the 1st Infantry Brigade in the Eastern Soudan, and doing brilliant work. He was selected by Lord Wolseley as Chief of the Staff of the Nile Expedition. Since then he has done fine work at Army Headquarters and in Ireland, where he served as special commissioner in the disturbed County Kerry, and after, for a while, as Under-Secretary for Ireland. On his return he became quartermaster-general under Lord Wolseley's adjutant-generalship, and in that post he carried out the difficult work of reorganising the entire Commissariat and Transport Department, and of forming the Army Service Corps, which will long remain a monument to his executive ability and his thorough grasp of detail. On Lord Wolseley's appointment to command the forces in Ireland, General Buller became adjutant-general and in 1891 he was promoted to the rank of lieutenant-general.

FEELING IN ENGLAND.

THE "Times," the day the mail left discussed the situation in the Transvaal, and in regard to the correspondence on the dynamite monopoly issued as a Parliamentary paper last night, the journal comments on the politely-worded and closely-reasoned arguments of Mr. Chamberlain, as compared with the deliberately offensive and unsatisfactory replies of Mr. Reitz, on behalf of the Boer Government. In dealing with the meeting between Sir A. Milner and Mr. Kruger, the "Times" says:—"The real point which the conference must settle one way or the other is the sincerity or the insincerity of Mr. Kruger's many offers of reform. That point will be determined in a decisive fashion before he quits Bloemfontein for Pretoria. It is generally felt by the Government and the people of this country that the situation in the Transvaal is unprecedented and intolerable, and that it urgently calls for effective and immediate redress. Mr. Kruger and his Boers cannot complain that the demands of the Uitlanders have been sprung upon them or that time has not been given them in which to prepare and introduce the indispensable measures of reform. The dangers to the whole of South Africa and to our Imperial interests inseparable from a further delay of justice on whatever pretexts are patent to us. We cannot afford to expose ourselves and our fellow-countrymen in the Transvaal and colonies of South Africa to them for an indefinite period. We must show our fellow-subjects that we are neither indifferent to their grievances nor unable to procure them redress. To encourage by inaction doubts upon either head might chill their loyalty to us and tend to direct their minds towards ideals full of peril to our Empire. We can no longer be put off by vague promises of satisfactory changes to be introduced in an uncertain future. The time for evasion and procrastination has gone by. We must learn for good and all what Mr. Kruger and his friends are ready to do, and to do within a reasonable time. Will they or will they not make the 'speedy and substantial change' in the Uitlanders' position desired by the Imperial Government? Will they or will they not grant concessions of a kind to 'satisfy the reasonable aspirations of the unenfranchised population'? Will they or will they not make an arrangement which the Imperial Government can accept and recommend to the Uitlanders? We shall know soon, and when we know we shall understand what course it is our duty to adopt."

A CLEAR ISSUE.

The "Standard" expresses the opinion that the publication of the correspondence between Mr. Chamberlain and the Transvaal Government, with reference to the dynamite monopoly, is not calculated to relieve the tension, and adds:—"Mr. Chamberlain in a strong, but temperately worded despatch of January 13 of this year, pointed out that as the monopoly is a breach of the Convention of 1884, Her Majesty's Government would expect it to be cancelled or largely modified. In reply, the Transvaal Government, through the State Secretary, Mr. Reitz, somewhat curtly stated that they did not agree with the Colonial Secretary. In the first place, they maintain that the monopoly is for the benefit of the State. But, even if it is not, they hold that the matter has nothing to do with Mr. Chamberlain, since, according to Mr. Kruger's advisers, it does not contravene the spirit of Article Fourteen of the Convention. On these grounds, Mr. Reitz concludes, 'this Government is of opinion that Her Britannic Majesty's Government are not entitled to a protest such as is now formulated by it.' If the State Secretary supposed that the dispute would end here he was greatly mistaken. On April 21 Mr. Chamberlain instructed the British Agent at Pretoria to state 'that Her Majesty's Government adhere to this protest, and reserve their rights in the matter.' This very weighty communication was apparently received with almost contemptuous indifference in Pretoria; for the only answer vouchsafed to it was a couple of sentences, in which the Transvaal Executive declares that it adheres to its previous Note, and in particular to the sentence in which

A studiously moderate statement of the Uitlanders' case is presented to the people of this country by one of the aggrieved class in the new number of the "Fortnightly Review" under the title of "The Transvaal Crisis: A Voice from the Rand," which deserves careful and candid reading. The writer states that he has been "enjoined," as one of the twenty-one thousand petitioners to the Queen to take up his pen in the cause, and he deals first with the petition itself.

There is absolutely no ground for the assertion that the document is not a genuine manifestation of the Uitlander feeling. The first petition prepared was rejected by Mr. Edmond Fraser, the acting British Agent in the Transvaal, for what seems to have been an error in form; "so meticulously careful were the Imperial authorities that they should forward nothing to Her Majesty's Ministers which was open to the faintest criticism." Nor was less care used in the collection of signatures. No pressure was resorted to. "The capitalists held apart; the petitioners were spontaneous. It was a petition of the *people* of Johannesburg." But how comes it that nine thousand persons, also Uitlanders, were induced to sign a counter petition, declaring that they wished for no change? The writer answers the question by pointing to the very large scale upon which the Transvaal Government and the monopolists whom it has created employ and control

"A CERTAIN SORT OF UITLANDER."

"All the Government offices, the Post Office, the Civil Service—such as it is—and the Netherlands Railway Company are run 'by Uitlanders,' for the most part of Hollander birth and education, though there is a handful of men among them of other nationalities. Out of such a population, all practically dependent for their bread upon the Transvaal Government—employed under a system of monopolies which must certainly vanish by a reduction of the present régime—it is not difficult to raise 9,000 signatures. Add to these employés of the Government and its friends the Concessionaries—the large and increasing population of Polish Jews who live by selling 'Cape Smoke,' that most poisonous of all forms of alcohol to the natives—and the restriction of whose bad business is one of the aims of every decent Uitlander—and the wonder is rather that the petition was not signed by more than 9,000."

But to come to the grievances which form the subject-matter of the petition now before the Colonial Office in London. It is unnecessary to repeat all that has been stated with regard to

TAXATION WITHOUT REPRESENTATION.

That is admitted by the Boer Government—and defended. Some more specific complaints may be briefly mentioned. The Uitlanders have no voice in government of their own town Johannesburg, though they pay the lion's share of its cost, and they are governed very badly indeed. "The police are ignorant and inefficient; cases occur, at no infrequent intervals, in which they are convicted of blackmail; and the murder of the man Edgar must have shown the world at large the curious amount of individual discretion vouchsafed to them. Our water supply is merely poisonous: visitors of a scientific turn have called Johannesburg a death-trap. Whether we like it or not, we must be poisoned or drink aerated or mineral waters; and the President has lately put a tax of 3d. a bottle on all mineral waters except the particular one which is in the hands of his concessionaires." The various monopolies, in fact, concern not the capitalists alone but all classes of the community. The dynamite concession, in particular, "hits the smaller mine-owners and the poorer men, since they are unable to hold on to their possessions; and these must therefore fall to those great houses which can afford to tide over bad times and make their own terms with the Government." The education law is another just cause of dissatisfaction. English children cannot attend the public schools except on condition of learning Dutch, which seems a gratuitously annoying requirement when it is remembered not only that English is the habitual medium of communication throughout South Africa, but that the Boer language is "not Dutch, as Dutch is spoken in Holland, but a hybrid compound of Hollander and English, and, for that matter, of Kaffir and Malay."

FINALLY,

says the Uitlander spokesman, in summing up his case, "we may not air our grievances in the public newspapers; we may not hold public meetings to consider them. The President, if he thinks fit, is duly entitled by a regular enactment of the Raad to order any of us out of the country at his good pleasure." It can be no matter of surprise that the oppressed foreign residents are now looking eagerly to the Imperial Government for relief. Its right to interfere for their help is incontestable, and has been admitted by the Boer Government itself. But affairs are growing steadily worse. The laws against the freedom of the Press and public meetings have been enacted since 1890. Equally recent in origin has been the most serious difficulty of all—the expulsion of Mr. Kotze from his place as Chief Justice, and the consequent subordination of the High Court of Justice, administered by trained men, to chance decisions of the Volksraad; while Mr. Kruger, greatly daring, has actually brought in anew the Aliens Expulsion Act, which provoked the ultimatum of 1897. The "Fortnightly" contributor does not believe in war, but he antici pates that we shall be threatened by the Boers with

A RISING OF THE DUTCH SETTLERS IN CAPE COLONY.

That, he declares, is a bubble which ought to be pricked. It is a bubble, and nothing more. Mr. Hofmeyer blew it into shape in 1881, when he wanted to prevent English troops being sent through the Colony:—"He went to the High Commissioner and informed His Excellency that the Cape Dutch were ripe for revolution; that already they were arming; that they were practising at rifle-ranges; that the men of the Western Province were already practising that very afternoon. Mr. Hofmeyer, as usual, spoke the literal truth. The men of Western Province were practising at rifle ranges as he said; that is to say, twelve of them, brought to Cape Town for the purpose by Mr. Hofmeyer, were shooting for small money prizes which Mr. Hofmeyer had given."

FIRMNESS AND PROMPTITUDE

on the part of the British Government are what the present crisis demands. The Dutch Africander does not dislike "the England of a strong arm," but the strength must be visible. The new Africanderism was born after Majuba, when "the English flag was in the dust, and strangers of all the English Ministry were cheerfully accepting the situation." "Emphatically," says the Uitlander champion, in conclusion, "this is the moment for temperate but firm assertion. It only needs—so we, the 21,000 signatories to the Uitlanders' petition assert—it only needs a firm tone with the President for the grievances of which we complain to be redressed." If redress is withheld, England "must make up her mind to lose her paramountcy in the Transvaal of to-day and in the confederated South Africa of to-morrow."

ARMY FIRING COMPETITIONS.

MUSKETRY PRIZES.

It is announced in General Order by the Commander-in-Chief in India that General Sir William Lockhart, G.C.B., K.C.S.I., is pleased to present the following musketry prizes to be competed for during the season 1899-1900:—

(1) A silver cup, value Rs. 500, to the British Service.

(2) A silver cup, value Rs. 500, to the Native army.

(3) A Magdala gold medal to the best shot in the native Army.

The cup will be awarded to the British Service team and the other to the Native Army team making the highest aggregate score at the annual meetings of the following rifle associations:—

(a) The Bengal-Punjab Rifle Association at Meerut.

(b) The Southern India Rifle Association at Bangalore.

(c) The Bombay Presidency Rifle Association at Poona.

(d) The Hyderabad Rifle Association at Secunderabad.

(e) The Burma Rifle Association at Mandalay.

(f) The Sind and Baluchistan Rifle Association at Quetta.

The Magdala gold medal will be awarded to that Native Officer, Non-Commissioned officer or man making the highest aggregate score in the competition.

CONDITIONS.

Distances.—200, 600 and 800 yards.

Rounds.—Nine at each distance, last seven to count.

Targets and scoring.—As laid down in the Bengal-Punjab Rifle Association rules.

Positions.—200 yards standing, 600 and 800 yards any military.

Rifles of carbines and ammunition.—Any of service pattern.

Teams firing with carbines will be allowed handicap points as follows:—

".303" carbines	...	...	18 points.
".450" "	...	...	30 "

The teams will be composed of six competitors from any corps, including station teams of Royal Artillery and volunteer corps. Officers may shoot in the teams. No corps can enter more than two teams at any one meeting or more than one team at any two meetings (*e.g.*,) the Bombay, Baroda and Central India Railway Volunteer Rifles may enter one team at Poona and one at Meerut, or two at Poona), but no individual may shoot more than once.

All the registers of the teams competing, countersigned by the Secretary of the meeting, are to be forwarded to the Assistant Adjutant General for Musketry, Simla under registered cover, the day after the competition is concluded.

The competition is to be carried out in strict accordance with the rules of the Bengal-Punjab Rifle Association as regards all details not herein specified.

SUFFOCATED TO DEATH IN A MANHOLE.

HURREE MAHADOO, aged twenty-five years, a labourer, employed on the drainage works at Baboola Tank Road, died, on Wednesday afternoon, while working in a manhole on that road. It appears that the drainage works had been going on for some months past, under Sullemanji Moola Abdool Ali and Co., Municipal Contractors, and the deceased had been at work there for the last two months. About noon, on Wednesday, deceased and three other labourers were directed by Tyebji Adamji, who had been superintending the work, to open the manhole near the entrance to the compound of St. John's House, to find out what was obstructing the flow of the water in it. The men took the cover off the manhole, and one of them, named Nana Bairoo, went down. It was the deepest manhole, being twenty-three feet below the surface of the road, and there was water in it up to the hips of the man working in it. The labourer felt about with his feet to find out the obstruction. The water was warm, and before the man could do anything to remove the obstruction, he felt suffocated and immediately came up. The deceased then volunteered to go down, although he was advised by his co-workers not to do so. He went down, and one Khodiba and Nana watched him. Khodiba shouted out to the deceased and inquired how he was getting on, and the latter replied that he had found the mouth of one of the pipes. About five minutes after deceased was seen falling sideways, and Khodiba went down to his assistance. But Khodiba himself felt overpowered and came up without the deceased. Khodiba was gasping for breath when he came up, and said the deceased was dying. An alarm was then raised, and an European police officer came up. Tyebji, the supervisor, then ordered four other manholes to be opened to let in fresh air. About an hour after a man was sent down with a rope tied round his waist, and the rope was then fastened round the deceased and he was hauled up. He was dead.

Mr. Allan F. Turner, the Coroner, held an inquiry, yesterday, at Baboola Tank Road, regarding the death of the deceased Hurree. The witness Nana stated in the course of his evidence that there was no bad smell in the manhole when he went down, but it was very hot and he felt suffocated with the heat. He told the deceased that it was very hot in the manhole, and advised him not to go down. Witness had never been down this manhole before, but he had gone down into other manholes on Baboola Tank Road. There was heat in them, but not so much as to overpower him. It was about a month ago when he went down those manholes. They were twelve and fourteen feet deep, whereas the manhole the deceased and witness went down that day was about twenty-three feet deep. Witness knew nothing of the rules on the drainage works regarding manholes. Tyebji had the other manholes opened to allow the fresh air to go down. He was not told by anyone to open them—he did it himself. Sometimes, not always, he opened a manhole in addition to the one to be entered. He did this whenever the manhole to be entered was very deep. The one they entered that day was the deepest of the lot. The next one on the Graham's Naka side was open when they entered the manhole in question. The four additional ones which Tyebji opened were on the hospital side. No one instructed the witness to say that there was no bad smell in the manhole. The water was not flowing in it when the witness went down. It was turbid. Witness could not say whether the deceased's head went under the water when he fell.

Further inquiry was adjourned at this stage.

A JEWELLERY DISPUTE.

JEWELLERY FOR HIRE OR SALE.

OUR Hyderabad correspondent writes:—An important case arising out of a jewellery transaction has just been decided by the District Judge of Secunderabad. It appears from the records that Syed Sirdar Ali Khan, the only surviving son of Sirdar Diler Jung (Abdul Huq), purchased some jewellery from Messrs. Sirdarmull & Co., of Hyderabad, consisting of a diamond belt, a diamond chain, a diamond stick, etc., valued at Rs. 30,400. It was agreed between the Sirdar and the jewellers that on payment of the said sum of Rs.30,400 the jewellery could be retained in the Sirdar's possession for eight months, after which, if he disapproved of it he could return it to the jewellers, and receive back Rs. 30,060. A proviso was added in the agreement that the jewellery, on return, should be in the same condition as it was when handed over by the jewellers. After keeping the jewellery for some time, the Sirdar sought to return it, and claimed Rs. 30,060 under the terms of the agreement. The jewellers declined to accept back the jewellery, on the ground that a year had expired, instead of the eight months limited in the agreement. They contended before the Court that the agreement attached to the plaint was not the original agreement, but a forged one, substituted to establish the plaintiff's case, and furthermore, declared in their written statement that the receipt granted by them for the payment of Rs. 30,400 for the jewellery was also suppressed, and a forged one substituted and annexed to the plaint. The Judge dismissed the Sirdar's suit for the return of his Rs. 30,060. The case has gone on at intervals for the past six months, and has at each hearing caused a good deal of interest locally. The Sirdar's witnesses were his uncle, Syed Shumshudin Ali Khan, a retired Deputy Commissioner of the Berars, and his clerk, a Hindu, named Jugganath, while the defendants produced eleven witnesses, including Mr. Barnard, Chief Accountant of the Bank of Bengal.

THE CITY MORTALITY.

THE Municipal Office returns for the twenty-four hours ending at 6 a.m., yesterday, give the following results:—

Wards.	Plague. Attacks.	Deaths.	Deaths from all Causes.
A Upper, Middle & Lower Colaba, Fort Northern; Fort Southern and Esplanade	0	0	1
B Mandvi, Chuckla, Umarkhadi and Dongri	3	3	19
C Market, Dhobi Talao, Parmanandy, Bhuleshwar, Khara Talao and Khumbharwada	0	0	22
D Khetwadi, Girgaum, Chowpatti, Walkeshwar and Malabarhill	0	0	5
E Mazagon, Tarwadi, 2nd Nagpada, Kamatipura, Tardeo, Byculla and 1st Nagpada	4	0	16
F Parel, Sewri and Sion	0	0	3
G Mahim and Worli	2	0	8
Water Division	0	0	0
Non-Resident and Unknown	0	0	0
Hospitals	0	1	10
Total	9	4	84
Total plague deaths to date	46,714	40,651	
Same date, last year, 1898.	8	1	64

THE HINDU FEVER HOSPITAL.

As resolved by the managing committee of the Hindu Fever Hospital, arrangements have been made to keep in the hospital, during the monsoon, accommodation for a certain number of beds, at present (6) six, for such patients as might choose to avail themselves thereof, it being understood, that they will make their own arrangements for food and medical treatment. There will, however, be on the premises a small staff, and prescriptions, so far as practicable, will be dispensed gratis. This is only a temporary arrangement, and may be altered according to emergencies, of which due notice will be given to the public.

CAUSING GRIEVOUS HURT.

At the Esplanade Police Court, yesterday, before Mr. J. Sanders-Slater, Chief Presidency Magistrate, Jairam Hansraj was charged with causing grievous hurt to one Puribai, his sister-in-law, and another person, named Haridas Kalidas, by stabbing them with a knife. Mr. Sealy, pleader, prosecuted. It appears that on the 7th instant, at 8 p. m., the accused, who resided in a house at Tully Lane, went to the room of his brother, Valji, and had an altercation with him in regard to some money matters. As Valji was suffering from paralysis at the time, Puribai interfered on his behalf. This enraged the accused, who rushed at her and wounded her on the shoulder with a clasp knife. On hearing her cries, the second complainant, a co tenant, came to her assistance, and he was also similarly assaulted. The accused admitted the charge, but stated that the woman had no business to interfere in his affairs. The Magistrate convicted the accused, and sentenced him to six months' rigorous imprisonment.

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HIGH COURT.—ORIGINAL SIDE.

(Before the Hon. Mr. JUSTICE CROWE.)

THE POWERS OF A HINDU WIDOW.

MITHABAI WIDOW VS. CANJEE ARJOON.

THE plaintiff asked for a declaration that she was entitled to the management of the whole of the estate of the deceased Khairaj Lalljee, existing on the death of his widow, Parvatibai, and is entitled beneficially to the residue of such estate after providing for the payments and expenses directed by the codicil of Khairaj Lalljee, that an account might be taken of his property, that the defendants be decreed to make over the same to the plaintiff, &c. Mr. Scott, Advocate-General, with Mr. Macpherson, instructed by Mr. Madhavjee Virjee, appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. Raikes and Mr. Lowndes, instructed by Messrs. Payne, Gilbert, and Sayani, appeared for the defendant.

The plaintiff stated that Khairaj Lalljee died at Cutch on the 27th July, 1881, without issue, leaving him surviving two widows, namely Parvatibai and the plaintiff. After providing for certain monthly and annual payments, the deceased, by his will and codicil, left the residue of his property to Parvatibai, whom he also appointed his executrix, and directed that, on the death of Parvatibai, the management of the property should be assumed by the plaintiff. The will and codicil were proved by Parvatibai on the 25th September, 1882, and the property was managed by Parvatibai until her death on the 11th April, 1898. The property at the time included two houses standing in the name of Khairaj Lalljee, another house purchased by Parvatibai, and a large sum of money advanced on mortgages of immoveable property. Plaintiff argued that, on the death of Parvatibai, she became entitled, under the terms of the codicil, to manage the property and became also beneficially entitled to the residue of the property as heir to her late husband; but the defendant had, in violation of the plaintiff's rights, taken possession of all the moveable property, was collecting the rents, and was trying to recover monies outstanding on mortgages, &c., and claimed to do so by virtue of an alleged will of Parvatibai. Plaintiff submitted that Parvatibai had no power to dispose of any of the said property by will or otherwise. Plaintiff had applied for letters of administration *cum testamento* to her late husband's estate, with the will and codicil annexed.

The defendant stated that, by his last will and testament, Khairaj Lalljee bequeathed all his real and personal estate to his elder widow, Parvatibai, for her own absolute use and benefit, and directed her to maintain and keep with her his second wife, the plaintiff, so long as she remained a widow and so long as she lived in harmony and concord with Parvatibai. In case of disagreement, he directed Parvatibai to pay to the plaintiff a sum of Rs. 50 per month for her maintenance during her widowhood, but no longer, and he appointed Parvatibai his sole executrix. By his codicil, the testator reduced to Rs. 10 the monthly allowance of Rs. 50 to plaintiff; and he further directed that, in case of the death of Parvatibai the affairs of the charity and the distribution of the annuities be made by the hands of the plaintiff. The latter lived for some time in harmony with Parvatibai, but subsequently quarrelled with her and left her protection. The defendant was closely related to the deceased, who had always admitted that the defendant and his descendents were the proper heirs to him after his death. In 1887-88 Parvatibai took the defendant in adoption as her son; and since the date of the adoption, he had lived with Parvatibai as her husband's son. Previous to her death, Parvatibai published her last will, wherein she stated the fact of the defendant's adoption as her son. Defendant therefore submitted that this suit should be dismissed with costs.

Evidence in the case was heard during that day.

(Before the Hon. Mr. JUSTICE B. TYABJEE.)

CLAIM FOR SERVICES RENDERED.

MANMOHANDAS DAMODER VS. PURSHOTUMDAS MUNGULDAS NATHUBHOY.

THE plaintiff sought to recover Rs. 4,205 from the defendant, partly as damages and partly for work done, under a Gujrati writing, alleged to be signed by the defendent, Mr. Macpherson, with Mr. Branson, and Mr. Rivett-Carnac, instructed by Messrs. Wadia and Ghandy, appeared for the plaintiff; and the Hon. Mr. Scott, Mr. Lowndes, and Mr Raikes, instructed by Messrs. Nanu and Hormusjee, appeared for the defendant.

The plaintiff stated that for some years past, he had been performing services for the defendant, who used to pay him divers sums. On the 16th February 1895, the defendant agreed to employ plaintiff under the terms of a Gujrati writing signed by the defendant. Plaintiff performed the agreement on his part, acted as a kind of companion, drafted letters, read newspapers, read and explained to defendant the Municipal Act, and advised him in general matters. Defendants had frequently acknowledged the plaintiffs services, but had not paid him anything under the agreement except Rs. 50. On the plaintiff pressing him to pay, defendant became cool towards him, and ultimately denied the execution of the agreement. Under the circumstances, plaintiff claimed judgment.

The defendant denied signing the agreement referred to, or that any such agreement was ever made or contemplated by him. He denied that the plaintiff ever performed the services for him as alleged. He denied that he paid plaintiff Rs. 50 under the agreement. The only sum he had paid him was in respect of money borrowed by defendant, and sent to plaintiff from Matheran. Defendant denied that the sum of Rs. 4,205 or any sum was due from him to the plaintiff, and prayed that the suit be dismissed with costs.

The hearing of the case was proceeded with during the day.

HIGH COURT.—APPELLATE SIDE.

(Before the Hon. Mr. JUSTICE PARSONS and the Hon. Mr. JUSTICE RANADE.)

CHARGES AGAINST POLICE OFFICERS.

IMPERATRIX VS. DADA MEYA SHAIK YACOOB AND THREE OTHERS.

THIS was an application for review, in which the complainant, Nageshwar Sitaram Fansulker, asked for revision of the orders passed by Mr. Slater, Chief Presidency Magistrate, on the 16th and 17th May last, withdrawing under the provisions of Section 528 of the Criminal Procedure Code, the cases of the accused Dada Meya and three others, from the Court of Mr. Hamilton, Second Presidency Magistrate, and referring them for enquiry to Mr. P. H. Dastur, Third Presidency Magistrate. Rao Bahadur Ghanesham Nilkant appeared for the applicant Nageshwar and Mr. Jehangir Boman Behram for two of the accused Dhondu and Babajee.

Mr. Ghanesham said the Chief Presidency Magistrate had passed an order under section 528 of the Code. The first question under that section was whether Mr. Hamilton was subordinate to the Chief Presidency Magistrate. He submitted that, in regard to cases being withdrawn, Mr. Hamilton was not subordinate. Under the Code Mr. Hamilton had authority to entertain a complaint in regard to perjury, which was the offence alleged in the present matter. Mr. Ghanesham also submitted that Mr. Slater had made the order of transfer without giving notice to the complainant.

Mr. Justice Parsons asked if it was contended that Mr Hamilton was not subordinate to Mr. Slater?

Mr. Ghanesham said the Chief Presidency Magistrate had jurisdiction over the whole of the island, but the Code also provided that the other Presidency Magistrates should exercise their authority under certain conditions. It appeared it was not till the 3rd March 1899 that the Governor in Council declared that all Presidency Magistrates were to be subordinate to the Chief Presidency Magistrate, and that the latter could make rules for the carrying on of business. Such rules were to be consistent with the Code. The pleader contended, however, that no rules had been made depriving Mr. Hamilton of the jurisdiction given him by section 20, adding that it was simply for a matter of general convenience that the Magistrates had been dealing with cases arising in various parts of the town. He submitted all the Magistrates had the same power as the Chief presidency Magistrate, and argued that the order was passed without any reason. The offences had been committed at the Sessions, and in the interests of justice it was desirable that the accused should have been tried by Mr. Hamilton.

Mr. Justice Parsons remarked that Mr. Slater had considered the Esplanade Police Court to be a more convenient place for the hearing.

Mr. Ghanesham said the complainant wanted a Magistrate who was not conversant with the case to try it.

Mr. Justice Parson: Was Mr. Dastur acquainted with the case?

Mr. Ghanesham: Yes. The case was the subject of general conversation at the time it was tried before the Sessions and the Magistrate. The offence of perjury was committed by the persons who had accused my clients of a serious crime which the higher Court held to be a trumped up case.

Mr. Ghanesham, continuing, said the grounds given by Mr. Slater were not sufficient. He simply stated the case had been transferred for convenience. Mr. Ghanesham further contended that no notice had been given before the order was made. The interests of justice would have been better served had the case come before Mr. Hamilton, whose mind would not have been prejudiced by having heard the circumstances of the original case. Mr. Ghanesham, therefore, submitted that Mr. Hamilton was not a Magistrate subordinate to Mr Slater. Even supposing he was, there was no reason for the transfer. The order should not have been passed without his client been given notice to show cause, he having instituted the prosecution, why the case should not remain where it was. On those grounds, he asked that the order should be set aside as it was irregular.

Mr. Jehangir contended that section 528 did not provide for any notices being given. The section gave full power to the Chief Magistrate to withdraw any case from a subordinate Magistrate. The complainant, who had filed the information, had stated he had filed it in the interests of justice; and if that was so, it must be perfectly immaterial to him which Magistrate tried the case.

Mr. Justice Parsons: Was any application made?

Mr. Jehangir: No.

Mr. Justice Parsons: And the accused persons did not object to the transfer?

Mr. Jehangir: No. Only the complainant objected.

Mr. Jehangir, continuing, said Mr. Justice Russell had granted permission for the prosecution. The prosecutor was quite a stranger, and stated what he was doing was in the interest of justice. The Magistrate (Mr. Slater) was justified under the rules in transferring the case. The complainant ought not to have gone before Mr. Hamilton, and asked for the issue of a process.

Mr. Justice Parsons: Who moved for the transfer of the case?

Mr. Jehangir: The Commissionor of Police moved for the transfer of the case against Dada Meya. Mr. Slater transferred the three other cases on his own motion.

Mr. Justice Parsons, in disposing of the application said: The Local Government having declared under sub-section 2 of section 21 of the Criminal Procedure Code that all Presidency Magistrates other than the Chief Presidency Magistrate appointed under section 18 of the Criminal Procedure Code shall be subordinate to the Chief Presidency Magistrate, and that the subordination shall be deemed to be of the same kind and extent as the subordination of Magistrates and Benches of Magistrates to the District Magistrates under sub-section of section 17 of the code. The Chief Presidency Magistrate has under secion 528, the power to withdraw any case from any one of them and refer it for enquiry or trial to any other such Magistrate. The objection, therefore, to jurisdiction fails. It appears, however, that the orders in question were made in consequence of a letter sent by the Commissioner of Police expartee and without notice to either party. This is a fatal defect under the consistant rulings of this Court. For this reason we must reverse the orders of transfer in the four cases under review and direct the Chief Presidency Magistrate to proceed in the matter only after giving due notice to the complainant and the accused persons.

SPORT IN ENGLAND.

THE ASCOT STAKES.

THE Ascot Stakes (handicap) of 20 sovs each, 10 ft., and only 5 sovs if declared by Tuesday, June 6, with 2,000 sovs, added; the second to receive 500 sovs and the third 200 sovs out of the stakes; winners of a handicap after June 1, 7lbs., of any two or one value 1,000 sovs 10lbs, extra; the winner of the Oaks or Grand Prix de Paris, if entered, to carry a weight to be fixed on the publication of the handicap. Once round, starting at the distance about two miles. (38 entries.)

Lord Rosebery's ch c Tom Cringle, by Donovan—Sea Breeze, 4yrs, 7st 5lbs ..... Loates 1
Lord Farquhar's b h Nouveau Riche, by Carlton—Novice, 6yrs, 7st 12lbs ..... Sloan 2
Mr Fairie's b c Chubb, by Chillington—Stockdale, 3yrs, 7st ..... Madden 3
Duke of Westminster's br c Batt, by Sheen—Vampire, 4yrs, 8st 4lbs 0
Mr W Burnham's b c Amateur, by Sheen—Sunshine, 3yrs, 6st 7lbs 0
Mr Wm Cooper's ch h Golden Rule, by Royal Hampton—Meteora, 6yrs, 7st 6lbs 0
Mr J H Houldsworth's b c Morning Dew, by Adieu—Golden Morn, 4yrs, 7st 8lbs 0
Mr J W Larnach's b g Glentilt, by Highland Chief—Duchess, aged, 6st 5lbs 0
Mr J M Hamsbury's br f Lowland Beauty, by Alloway—Comedy, 4yrs, 6st 11lbs 0
Mr W T Jones' br f Airs and Graces, by Ayrshire—Lady Alwyne, 4yrs, 8st 2lbs 0
Mr Covington's Canezaria, 6yrs, 7st 10lbs 0

(Winner trained by C. Wood.)

Betting: 9 to 2 against Tom Cringle, 6 to 1 Nouveau Riche, 10 to 1 Chubb, 100 to 30 Batt.

Won by a neck; three lengths dividing second and third.

THE PRINCE OF WALES'S STAKES.

The Prince of Wales's Stakes of 50 sovs each, h ft, with 1,000 sovs added, for three-year-olds; colts 8st 10lb, fillies and geldings 8st 5lb; a winner of 500 sovs to carry 3lb; or 3,000 sovs, 9lb extra; maidens allowed 7lb; the second to receive 300 sovs, and the third 200 sovs out of the stakes; New Course (about one mile and five furlongs).—53 subs. Closed Nov. 2, 1897.

Duke of Portland's b c Manners, by St Simon—Duchess ..... Cannon 1
Mr J H Houldsworth's br c Carbiston, by Donovan—Caserta ..... Loates 2
Mr J W Larnach's br f Victoria May, by St Simon—Hampton Rose ..... Madden 3

(Winner trained by G. Dawson.)

Betting: 7 to 2 against Victoria May.

Won by four lengths; seven lengths between second and third.

THE ROYAL HUNT CUP.

The Royal Hunt Cup, a piece of plate value 500 sovs with 1,600 sovs. in specie added to a handicap sweepstakes of 20 sovs, each h ft; winner of a race value 500sovs or of any handicap afterdeclaration of the weights (June 2) 5lbs; if of a handicap value 500 sovs. 10lbs extrf winner of the Grand Prix de Paris weights to be fixed on the publication of the weights the second to receive 300 sovs and the third 100 out of the stakes New Mile (seven furlongs 466 yards.)

Mr G J Jardine's Refractor, by Prism—Heartsease, 4yrs, 9st 5lbs ..... Weatherall 1
Mr Fairies's b c Eager, by Enthusiast—Greebs, 3yrs, 8st 4lbs ..... Cannon 2
Lord Wm Beresford's b h Knight of the Thistle, by Lord Rosebery—Thistle, 6yrs, 9st 3lbs ..... Sloan 3
Mr H McCalmont's br c Argosy, by Sus, ender—Etaol, 4yrs, 7st 4lbs 0
Capt Beckett's br c General Peace, by Gallinule—Moria, 3yrs, 8st 7lbs 0
Mr L de Rothschild's ch c Golden Bridge (late Bridegroom II), by Rayon D'or—St Bridget, 4yrs, 8st 4lbs ... 0
Sir J B Maple's b f Nun Nicer, by Common—Priestess, 4yrs, 8st 1lb 0
Lord Iveagh's ch f All Mark, by Marcion—Altiora, 4yrs, 7st 8lbs 0
Col A Paget's bk f Sirenia, by Gallinule—Concussion, 4yrs, 7st 8lbs 0
Mr W M Clark's ch c Mount Prospect, by Gallinule—Gretchen, 5yrs, 7st 6lbs 0
Capt Longe's br c Foolpad II, by Macheath—Padua, 3yrs, 6st 13lbs 0
Mr T L Plunkett's ch c Baldoyle, by Gallinule—Maid of Kilkeenc, 3yrs, 6st 13lbs 0
Mr W Brodrick Cloe's b c Strike a Light, by Donovan—Fuse, 3yrs, 6st 10lbs 0
Capt Machells b c Lemonside, by St Simon—Daisy Chain, 3yrs, 6st 7lbs 0
Marquis de Serramezzus's ch f Musetta, by St Angelo—Mirror, 3yrs, 6st 7lbs 0
Lord Rosebery's b c Flambard, by Oulflamb—Armorica, 3yrs, 6st 6lbs 0

(Winner trained by J Wood).

Betting: 25 to 1 against Refractor, 100 to 30 Eager, 10 to 1 Knight of the Thistle.

Won by a length and a half, a neck between second and third.

THE ASCOT GOLD CUP.

The Gold Cup, value 1,000 sovs., with 3,000 sovs in specie in addition, out of which the second shall receive 700 sovs. and the third 300 sovs., added to a sweepstakes of 20 sovs each, h ft, three-year-olds 7st. 7lbs., four 9st., five six, and aged 9st. 4lbs., mares and geldings allowed 3lbs., to start at the Cup post, and go once round (about two miles and half).—31 subs. Closed January 3, 1899.

The sealed-up nominations to be opened after the running for the Oaks. Sealed nominations for which forfeit is declared before the expiration of time of opening to remain unopened.

Mr C D Rose's ch c Cyllene, by Bona Vista—Arcadia, 4yrs ..... T Loates 1
Mr H V Lonsdale's c Lord Edward II., by Enthusiast—Noble Duchess, 3yrs ..... S Loates 2
Mr J de Bremond's b c Gadfeu, by Cambyse—Bogie, 4yrs ..... Watkins 3
Mr J de Bremond's ch c Le Sentier, by Beranger—Farce, 3yrs 0
Mr J Hammond's br c Herminius, by Lowland Chief—Herminia, 5yrs 0

(Winner trained by Jarvis.)

Betting: 6 to 4 against Cyllene, 85 to 20 Lord Edward II., 3 to 1 Gardefeu.

Won by eight lengths; three lengths between second and third.

THE HARDWICKE STAKES.

The Hardwicke Stakes of 2,000 sovs., added to a sweepstakes of 10 sovs. each, p. p., for three-year-olds and upwards; three-year-olds 7st. 12lbs, four, 9st., five and upwards 9st. 2lbs.; mares and geldings allowed 3lbs.; the winner of a race or races collectively value 1,000 sovs., to carry 7lbs; the winner of a race or of races collectively, value 2,000 sovs. 10lbs. extra; maiden three-year-olds allowed 5lbs., four and upwards 10lbs. the second to receive 10 per cent, and the third 5 per cent. on the whole stakes; Swinley Course.—60 subs. Closed Nov. 2, 1897.

Prince Soltykoff's b c Ninus, by Sheen—Nina, 4yrs ..... Wood 1
Duke of Portland's b c Manners, by St Simon—Tact, 3yrs ..... Cannon 2
St Wallie-Griffith's br f St IA, by St Serf—Berengaria, 4yrs ..... Sloan 3

(Winner trained by Gibbons).

Betting: 7 to 4 against St IA.

Won by a length and a half; eight lengths between second and third—"Asien."

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THE CHARGE AGAINST A SURAT POLICE INSPECTOR.

A BARRISTER COMPLAINANT.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

SURAT, JUNE 20.

As already briefly wired, Mr. Hardeoram Nanabhai, barrister-at-law, practising in this city, and also one of the sons of the late Mr. Justice Nanabhai Haridas, has brought a complaint against the Surat City Police Inspector, Rao Saheb Motilal Hirabhai, charging him under the following sections of the Indian Penal Code:—341 (wrongful restraint), 342 (wrongful confinement), 352 (assault or criminal force) and 504 (intentional insult with intent to provoke a breach of the peace). The complaint was presented to Mr. J. W. A. Weir, I.C.S., Collector and District Magistrate of Surat, at Camp Kolukb, on the 23rd of May. He entertained the complaint, after examining the complainant on oath and transferred it for disposal according to law to the Court of Mr. J. A. G. Wales, I.C.S., Magistrate of the 1st Class in charge Chorlasi Division, Surat. After a couple of adjournments the case came on for hearing yesterday. The first witness for the Crown was the complainant himself. His examination-in-chief brought out the following facts stated in the complaint:—

That there is in Surat in the district of Bhagatalao a temple of the Vaishnava sect known as Mota Mandir where is enshrined the idol of God Sari Balkrishnaji. Near it and on land belonging to the said temple, is a collection of shops which are known as Satta Bazar. All these shops can be reached by a gate on the public road.

I am informed and believe that at about seven o'clock in the evening of the 28th day of April 1899, the accused named above in company with his police subordinates went to the said Satta Bazar to arrest alleged Sattawalas. I am further informed and believe that about a hundred persons were arrested on the occasion.

At about half past nine o'clock in the evening of the same day Messrs. Narotamdas Motiram and Karsandas Lallubhai came and engaged me and Mr. Mukundray Ghelabhai Mehta, High Court Pleader, to appear before the said accused and apply on behalf of some of the arrested persons to have them released on bail.

Thereupon Mr. Mukundray and myself, accompanied by the said Messrs. Narotamdas and Karsandas, left at about ten o'clock at night in a carriage to proceed to the Satta Bazar to appear before the accused and apply that our clients should be admitted to bail. On approaching the shop of Hemchand Sukhadia, and as we were about to turn into the street on the north of the said shop, our carriage was prevented from entering the street by the police stationed there. Then Messrs. Narotamdas and Kasandas got out from the carriage, and I spoke to one of the sepoys standing there and told him that the street was public one, that everybody had a right to pass through it and that I wanted to go through it for the purpose of seeing the accused on professional business; but, as the police would not let my carriage proceed further without the orders of the accused, I sent my card through one of the sepoys to be presented to the accused with a message that I wanted to see him on professional business. The sepoy returned and allowed my carriage to proceed. Mr. Kasandas who was with us followed my carriage; when it had gone for some distance it was again stopped by another police sepoy who, however, on this fact being stated to him, permitted it to proceed further.

That we then reached the gate of the Satta Bazar and as soon as we got out of the carriage the accused came out of the said Bazar into the public street and said, "What brings you here? You are obstructing me in the performance of my duties, and you will therefore be prosecuted. I replied that we had not come there to obstruct him in the performance of his duties but had come to apply for the release on bail of certain persons on whose behalf we had been professionaly engaged to make the application; that we had come there as our carriage was permitted to proceed after my card was sent. On hearing this the accused caught me and Mr. Mukundray by each arm and began to shake and push us, and ordered to subordinates to push us out. And immediately, without waiting for the said order to be carried out he himself began pushing us, and repeated that we were obst

PURELY PERSONAL.

THE story of the Queen's eightieth birthday has been told a hundred times over; and it would be absurd to try and retell it in these pages. Suffice it to say that everybody who saw the Queen recognised the truth of the statement made several times in these columns, that Her Majesty is in extraordinarily good health. Some people go the length of prophesying that she will see another Jubilee.

What is the secret of this extraordinary longevity with its maintenance of all her faculties to the end? It is in one great rule of life—the perpetual love of open air. From the days when she puddled like any other child in the garden of Kensington Palace to this latest hour, the Queen has never ceased to love the open air, and to insist on getting plenty of it every day of her long life. Observe the official accounts that describe her doings—in whatever part of the world she may be, they all tell the same tale. Her Majesty drove out—the is the parennial record.

In order to maintain this wonderful uniformity of life, the Queen is surrounded with extraordinary care; and moreover, looks well after herself. Take, for instance, her horses. Before they are employed to drive her, they have all been subjected to the most careful tests to see whether they are to be trusted under all and every circumstance. The eight horses that followed her to the Continent, had all been tested by every form of noise to see whether they were likely to run away or give any trouble under almost any conceivable circumstances. Every kind of instrument, it is said, was tried on their nerves, from a full band to the Scotch bagpipe. Similarly, as my readers have often been told, the Queen carries with her, even when she goes her long journey abroad, everything that will recal her home and will make her surroundings familiar. She always has with her the same bed; even her pets—her dogs and her birds—accompany her, also some of her pictures; so that wherever she may be, she wakes up, if not to the same skies, at least to the same intimate surroundings. All this perfect regularity of life helps towards that equanimity of mind which is one of the best means of attaining longevity.

Although the Queen has had plenty of trouble in her life time, it is also certain that she has been a very lucky woman. When she was born, there was every possibility that she would have ended her days as a small German princess; and even her birth on English soil was almost an accident. Her father, the Duke of Kent—was only the fourth child of George III., and if one single child or even grand-child had remained of all the possible children of these three elders, the Queen would have been reduced to a nobody. Two months before her birth, her mother was still in Germany; but her father, foreseeing as in the dim and incredible distance, the mighty possibility of that greatest of earthly thrones, was resolved that his child should be born on English soil; hurred his wife and her precious burden by night and day—himself driving the coach with its historic freight a portion of the way, the tradition goes—until he got them safely landed in the small and not very well ventilated room in Kensington Palace, where the future ruler of these realms was born.

Here was luck at the start of life; but how many wonderful escapes she has had besides, from apparently irresistible calamity. When she was an infant of six months old, a shot came crashing through the nursery window in which she lay, and passed within an itch of her head. She was nearly lost at sea, along with her mother, when she was but thirteen, and during the storm a mast fell on the very spot on which she had been standing but a few moments before. The attempts to murder her have reached the handsome total of five times. Truly a wonderful career.

There could have been no more fervent theatregoer than the late Lord Esher (writes a correspondent). A lover of all kinds of amusements, his particular love was the opera at Covent Garden, where he had a box on the ground tier for many years. He was especially fond of the late Sir Augustus Harris, and shared with his contemporary, Sir Henry Hawkins (now Lord Brampton), an admiration for the theatrical manager, which he encouraged at every occasionn. One of Lord Esher's many kindly acts was to attend a banquet in the foyer of Covent Garden Theatre, to which Druriolanus had invited most of his employees. At this function the Master of the Rolls proposed the health of the giver of the feast. During the opera season, by a special arrangement with the management, during the grand season, Lord and Lady Esher used the private office at Covent Garden for their entrance and exit, and so avoided the crush while passing through. On one occasion Lord Esher questioned Sir Augustus as to whether he would be able to attend a certain civic function which clashed with a then imminent *premiere*. The veteran lawyer stated that he had for many years given up such affairs, but that he would certainly attend the dinner given when Sir Augustus was made Lord Mayor. "That will never be," was the reply. "I had enough of civic duties when I was sheriff! I must attend to my singers and my pantomimes." "Oh, it will come some day, Harris, and" (to Lady Esher who was standing by) golly, golly," what" a Lord Mayor's show he will give us!"

The last of the Dukes of Buckingham was often so shabby that he could be, and frequently was, mistaken for a respectable shopkeeper who had come down in the world. At a very smart garden party he was playing tennis, and had left his boots, which bore obvious signs of a recent visit to the cobbler, standing at the door of a tent on the lawn. A lady who was heard to ask with considerable asperity "who the individual might be who wore patched boots at a party," was decidely taken aback when told that the "individual" was the Duke of Buckingham. "A propos" of the same trait, a short time before his second marriage an inspector chanced to pay a visit to a village school on the Stowe estate, and noticed with some surprise a great array of shirts piled up on the desks. "Oh, we are putting new collars and cuffs on those for his Grace!" proudly explained the schoolmistress, and it is probable that the remainder of his trousseau was as inexpensively got together.

But though economical through the force of circumstances he was not stingy, and was greatly liked and respected in the district. He had a natural talent for business, and attempts to take advantage of the duke were futile. For his own convenience he built a quaint little railway eight miles in length to carry chiefly his luggage and milk cans to Quainton, the nearest station. It is a unique specimen of its kind, the rate of progress averaging four miles an hour, so that passengers can get out if they wish and pick moon daisies on the banks or drive a stray cow off the line. First and second class fares are exactly the same, and the engine, being fashioned apparently of tin, can be heard approaching when at least a mile off.

The Earl of Tankerville, who in January last attained the great age of eighty-nine, is just now deeply incensed against his medical adviser. It seems that his lordship, who only gave up shooting last year, has been in the habit, during his daily walks abroad, of vaulting over the park wall at Chillingham. This acrobatic performance, the doctor says, must be discontinued; hence the Earl's resentment.

The present heir to the title is Lord Bennet, the Earl's second son. His eldest son, who was known as Lord Ossulston, died in 1879. Lord Bennet, who was A.-D.-C. to the Duke of Marlborough when His Grace was Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, has spent a good many years of his life in the far Western States of America ranching and studying the manners and customs of the cowboy on his native plains. It was at Tacoma, in 1895, he married the charming and beautiful lady who is now Lady Bennet, and who was Miss Leonora Vanmarten. Lady Bennet, who, by-the-way, was presented at the last Drawing Room by the Countess of Kintore, although of American parentage, was born in Switzerland and brought up in Rome.

It is a somewhat curious thing that miniature painting should be the hobby of a man who has seen so much wild Western life as Lord Bennet. Yet to him is largely due the recent renaissance of the dainty art. Lord Bennet has been a frequent exhibitor at the Royal Academy, and, although for the past year or two he has not painted much, he is now taking it up again more seriously than ever. One of his best known exhibited portraits to which a pathetic interest now attaches, was that of the beautiful Duchess of Leinster.

Among the number of successful Irishmen at the English bar, mention should be made of Lord Macnaghten of Runkerry. The family comes from Bushmills, a village situated a mile from the famous Giant's Causeway, in the County of Antrim. Bushmills is celebrated for its whisky, which the late Edmund Yates and Captain Mayne Reid thought to be the best distilled. Lord Macnaghten's brothers, Sir Francis Macnaghten, Bart., resides at Dundarave, half way between Bushmills and the Causeway. Sir Francis, who is very popular in the neighbourhood, is the Lord Lieutenant, and Custos Rotulorum for his County. He also takes great interest in local affairs, and usually presides at the local bench of magistrates, as well as attending the Board of Guardians every Saturday for this district.

INDIAN COASTING AND FOREIGN TRADE.

THE Sea Customs report just issued shows that the Indian coasting trade has largely fallen off of some twenty-one per cent. the result almost entirely of a lessened demand for grain of sorts. The foreign trade on the other hand, shows a small advance, being valued at over seventy-seven crores, or an advance of between one and two per cent., about seventy-six lakhs, in all. Of this amount imports claim thirty-five lakhs, and exports forty-one lakhs, the percentage of increase being slightly in favour of the former. Treasure, however, very materially swelled the import figures, amounting to over two crores of gold and one hundred and twenty-eight lakhs of silver; exchange having for some portion of the year made the importation of gold and its exchange at the mints a profitable transaction. Exports of treasure fell off to the extent of about half a crore, a result due chiefly to smaller shipments of silver. Taking country by country we find that trade decreased with England, Germany, France and Italy and the United States, but showed a more or less substantial increase with Belgium, Mauritius, Hongkong and treaty ports Straits Settlements, Ceylon and Australia—a division which in these days of imperialism may be considered satisfactory, seeing that with the exception of England,—and the falling off there was not alarming—the improvement has been almost entirely with our own possessions.

The much smaller quantity of jute available for export helped to lower the figures with such countries as are good customers for this fibre. What the outturn of the new jute crop will be is just now very much exercising the minds of those interested in the trade. Up to last week there was practically only one opinion, and that was for a bumper crop, both in quantity and quality, and in anticipation of this speculators have been selling freely at home at declining rates, the last business reported being fully Rs. 5 per bale below that of two or three months ago. The first forecast should be out in about ten days, and this may throw some light on the subject, but meanwhile private reports are not nearly so encouraging as they were; the want of sun, coupled with too much water, being prejudicial to the growth of the plant and the quality. It has always appeared a stain on the commercial acumen of Calcutta that, year by year, almost without exception there is far more money lost over jute business, both by shippers and balers than is made. In their dealings in this article Dundee invariably scores. Wild speculation and undue competition are mainly responsible for this. It is said that balers must keep going, but that is not the case with shippers. A parental association has endeavoured by stringent rules to protect its members, but they refuse to be protected.

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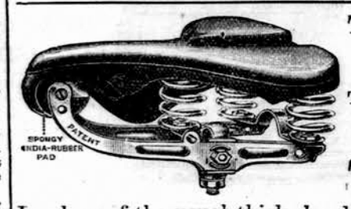

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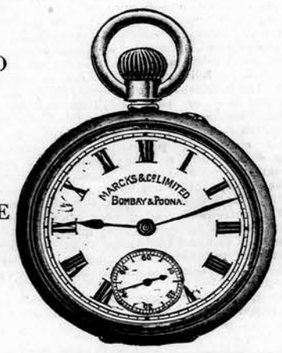

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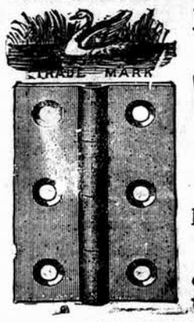

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